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MINUTES

OF THE

49th. Annual Session

OF THE

UNION PRIMITIVE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

HELD WITH THE CHURCH AT

HEALTHY PLAINS

PITT COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA

Commencing on Friday before 1st. Sunday in October, 4, 5, 6, 1922

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PROCEEDINGS

The Union Association convened with the Church at Healthy Plain commencing on Friday before the 1st. Sunday in October, 4, 5 and 6 in the year 1922. Service was opened by singing hymn No. 38. Prayer by Elder Cannon Mills.

The Introductory Sermon was preached by Elder Cannon Mills. His text was from St. John, 15, 1, 2. Elder James Hines Alternate, sang hymn No. 200. His text was from St. John 14th chapter, 1-4 verses.

On motion list of delegates was called and their sister churches and names enrolled.

After intermission of thirty minutes, the delegates assembled. The Association was opened by singing hymn No. 5.

On motion we heard the law. The Moderator read the law.

On motion Elder John Johnston was chosen Moderator, Elder Jermon Barnes Assistant Moderator; Bro. David Bynum, Clerk; Bro. Benny Bynum, Assistant Clerk; Bro. W. M. Finch, Treasurer; Bro. Amos Bryant, Reporter.

On motion visiting Brethren and Corresponding Messengers were invited to take seats with us and take a part in Conference and feel themselves at home. The Arrangement Committee appointed Elder Adam Edwards to the stand to preach. His text was St. Matthew, 10th chapter, 25th verse. Bro. Joseph Jones followed. His text was from Psalms, 3-8.

On motion Bros Amos Bryant, John Simms and Jesse Artis were appointed Finance Committee.

On motion Corresponding Messengers from Sister Associations made their reports. Bro. Joseph Jones came forth and represented the Radicue Association. She was received by the Moderator extending right hand of fellowship to the Messengers. Bro. C. M. Stewart came forth and represented the Loving Association. She was received by the Moderator extending the right hand of fellowship to the Messengers. Bro. Ellis Vick came forth and represented the Contentnea Association. It was received by the Moderator by extending the right hand of fellowship to the Messengers. Elder Oston Poter came forth and represented the Corresponding Association. It was received by the Moderator extending the right hand of fellowship to the Messengers. The Barren River was represented by letter. On motion agreed it be received. Elder Calvin Atkinson came forth and represented the Little River Association. It was received by the Moderator extending right hand of fellowship to

the Messengers.

On motion that letters from sister churches be called for, read, received and adopted.

On motion petitionary letters were called for. Not any.

On motion Conference adjourned by singing hymn 704.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

The Association assembled and was opened by singing hymn No, 35. Prayer by Elder Jermon Barnes, after which the Moderator read the law.

On motion list of delegates was called. All present.

On motion Friday evening session was read, received and adopted.

On motion the Arrangement Committee appointed Elder Ross Williamston to the stand to preach. His text was from Isiah, 49th chapter, 1st., 2nd. and 3rd. verses. Eld. B. J. Best followed. His text was from Rev., 12th chapter, 20th. verse.

On motion all licensed ministers and their license were called for.

On motion 1000 of these Minutes be printed and distributed among our brethren and friends by the Moderator and Clerk.

On motion that sister churches make their report.

On motion old Treasurers make their reports. Reports were satisfactory.

On motion Finance Committees made their reports. Reported in Treasury $135.50. The Arrangement Committee sent Elder Jerry Williamston to the stand to preach. His text was from Cor. 3:1. Bro. C. M. Stewart followed. His text was from St. John 10-14.

On motion Conference adjourn by singing hymn No. 621.

SATURDAY MORNING SESSION

The delegates assembled and service was opened by singing hymn No. 364. Prayer by Elder Robert Edwards, after which the Association was called to order.

On motion a list of delegates was called. All present.

On motion Saturday morning session was read, received and adopted.

On motion several Committees retired and decided where the next Union Association should convene. Report of committees was that the next Association should convene with Friendship Church, 2 miles North of Lucama, N. C., commencing on Friday before the 1st. Sunday in October, 1923. The Committee appointed Elder Simon Hemby to preach the Introductory

sermon, Elder Ross Williamstan, Alternate.

On motion Elder Robert Edwards was appointed to write circular letter. The Arrangement committee appointed Bro. Fate Melton to the stand. His text was from Roam. 6:1. Eld. Cannon Mills followed. His text was from Isaiah 15;1-2.

On motion to select messengers to visit Corresponding Associations. To the Loving Association Elder S. E. Hemby. Elder Robert Edwards preached. His text was from Isaiah 63:1-2. Elder Jimmie Hines followed. His text was from St. John 3:1. Elder Hemby followed. His text was from Psalms 37.

On motion ministers license be returned to them.

On motion that Rules of Decorum and Articles of Faith, pastors, delegates and their Post Offices and the time of holding their quarterly meeting shall be printed on the face of these minutes.

On motion that Conference adjourn by singing hymn 506.

SATURDAY MORNING SESSION

The delegates assembled and service was opened by singing hymn No. 35. Prayer by Elder Simon Hemby, after which the Moderator read the law, and Conference was called to order.

On motion list of delegates was called. All present.

On motion Saturday evening session was read, received and adopted.

On motion that the expense of this Association be paid off.

On report of committee sent Elder Calvin Atkinson to the stand. His text was from St. John 1:1. Elder Jerry Williamston followed. His text was from 2nd. Cor. Elder Jermon Barnes followed witness bearer, Moderator closed. Many thanks were given for such nice behavior and for helping the expenses of the Association.

Adjourned by singing hymn No 255.

Elder J. H. Johnston, Moderator
Bro. David Bynum, Clerk

LICENSED MINISTERS

Bros. Nan Haskins, Fate Melton, Walter Brooks and Titus Ellis.

CONTRIBUTION OF EACH CHURCH

Harpers Chapel, Bro. Amos Williams, Snow Hill,...$21.50
Tyson Creek, Bro. Cannon Tyson, Greenville, ... 20.50
Oaky Grove, Bro. J. H. Simms, Wilson, ... 7.00

Mt. Zion Grove, Bro. Amos Bryant, Winterville	$10.00
Low Level, Bro. Mose Norvel, Fountain	6.50
Cobbs Chapel, Bro. Oscar Wooten, Fountain	7.00
Friendship, Bro. W. M. Finch, Lucama	20.50
Seven Holly, Bro. Geo. Taylor, Fountain	10.00
Gays Chapel, Bro. Oscar Wooten, Fountain	2.50
Union Grove, Bro. J. H. Simms, Wilson	22.00
Healthy Plain, Bro. J. H. Simms, Wilson	5.00
Fountain Hill, Bro. Henry Wooten, Fountain	3.50
Total	$135.50

CIRCULAR LETTER

Dear Brethren; This being our 49th Annual Session of the Union Primitive Baptist Association, we are glad and thankful to our Heavenly Father that He, through His tender mercies and love toward us, has blessed us to meet in another Association, compassion to speak and to hear of his love and free grace. We are glad to have our brethren from Corresponding Associations to come to see us, desiring friendly correspondence to continue. Dear Brethren, pray for us that we may continue to press on to the mark of the high calling, which is in Christ Jesus, This done by order of the Conference.

Elder Robert Edwards, Writer
Elder John Johnston, Moderator

CHURCHES, PASTORS, POSTOFFICE AND TIME OF HOLDING THEIR QUARTERLY MEETINGS

Harpers Chapel, Elder John Johnston, Farmville, 3rd Sunday in February.

Tyson Creek, Elder Ross Williamston, Farmville, 4th Sunday in February.

Low Level, Elder Robert Edwards, Wilson, 2nd, Sunday in January.

Mount Zion Grove, Elder Cannon Mills, Winterville, 3rd. Sunday in January.

Oaky Grove, Elder B. J. Best, Walstonburg, 4th. Sunday in March.

Friendship, Elder Jermon Barnes, Elm City, 3rd. Sunday in January.

Cobbs Chapel, Elder Robert Edwards, Wilson, 3rd. Sunday in March,

Seven Holly, Elder Gray Speights, Wilson, 1st. Sunday in March.

Gays Chapel, Elder Jerry Williamston, Fountain, 1st. Sunday in February.

Union Grove, Elder Jermon Barnes, Elm City, 2nd. Sunday in February.

Healthy Plain, Elder Simon Hemby, Arthur, 3rd. Sunday in December.

RULES OF DECORUM

No member shall be received from a sister church without a letter of dismission.

If a member be given to raising confusion in the churches, whether minister or member, the church must at once take steps to exclude such member.

No member shall be allowed to visit ball rooms or parties, or in any other way violate the rules adopted by this Association. If they do they will be in the hands of the church and will be liable to be excluded.

Members who will not obey our rules, which are simple and easy, must not be held.

When a member has been excluded for violating the church rules and comes back and makes confession before the church, it is the duty of the church to receive the member. And if there be any through malice who are not willing to receive such member, they shall be in the hands of the church.

Each church shall fast three times a year.

No ordained church of the same faith and order shall be nearer than seven miles.

Any member who calls for his name and keeps it in his pocket over three months is considered out of the church.

Any member failing to attend three succeeding quarterly meetings without sickness shall be in the hands and discretion of the church.

All Elders and Ministers of this Association shall hereafter return their license and credentials to the Association at its annual meetings, that they be in the hands of the Association if in case it has anything against such Minister or Elder.

All churches of this Association shall have ordained deacons if they possibly can.

Any church belonging to the Union Association, it cut off or dropped by an act of this body, or a Union Meeting of this Association, no brother or brothers shall take it up. Neither any Association whom we correspond with. Such shall be re-

ceived only by petitionary letters to the Union.

We expressly prohibit any member belonging to the Union Association to join any other secret organization. If any member join such society, they shall not be held by any church belonging to the Union Association, and church knowingly hold such member or members it shall be dropped by the Asso.

ARTICLES OF FAITH

We believe in one true and living God and there are three persons in the God head, the Father, Son and Holy Ghost.

We believe the scriptures of the Old and New Testament are the words of God and the rule of faith and practice.

We believe in the doctrine of eternal and particular election.

We believe in the doctrine of orlglnal sin.

We believe in the doctrine of mans impotency to recover himself from the fallen state by nature of his on free will and ability.

We believe that sinners are justified in the sight of God, only the imputed righteousness of Christ.

We believe that God's elect shall be called, converted and sanctified by the Holy Ghost.

We believe that the saints shall persevere in grace and never finally fall.

We believe that Baptism, the Lord's Supper and Washing the Saints feet are Ordinances and that the true mode of Baptism is by immersion.

We believe in the resurrection of the dead and a general judgment.

We believe that the punishment of the wicked will be everlasting and the joys of the righteous will be eternal.

We believe that no minister has the right to administer the ordinance of Baptism and the Lord's Supper except such as are regularly presbytery.

Elder John Johnston, Moderator
Elder Jermon Barnes. Asst. Mod.
Bro, David Bynum, Clerk
Bro. Benny Bynum, Asst. Clerk

STATISTICAL TABLE

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CHURCHES	PASTORS	DELEGATES	Received by Baptism	Rec. by Experience	Rec. by Letter	Excluded	Restored	Deceased	Membership	Contribution
Harpers Chapel	John Johnston	Amos Williams	0	0	0	0	0	5	35	$21.00
Tyson Creek	Ross Williamston	Lamm Tyson	1	0	0	0	0	0	35	20.50
Oaky Grove	B. J. Best	J. H. Simms	1	0	0	0	0	1	23	7.00
Mt. Zion Grove	Cannon Mills	Amos Bryant	0	0	0	0	0	0	26	10.00
Low Level	Robert Edwards	Mose Norval	0	0	0	1	1	1	10	6.50
Cobbs Chapel	Robert Edwards	Oscar Wooten	1	0	0	1	0	0	12	7.00
Friendship	Jermon Barnes	W. M. Finch	0	0	0	0	1	1	34	20.50
Seven Holly	Grav Speights	Geo. Taylor	2	0	0	2	0	0	25	10.00
Gays Chapel	Jerry Williamston	Oscar Wooten	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	2.50
Union Grove	Jermon Barnes	J. H. Simms	4	0	0	1	1	0	38	22.00
Healthy Plain	Simon Hemby	J. H. Simms	3	0	0	0	0	0	8	5 00
Fountain Hill	Adam Edwards	Henry Wooten	0	0	0	1	0	0	7	3 50
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PROCEEDINGS

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51st. ANNUAL SESSION

OF THE

Union Primitive Baptist Association

HELD WITH THE

Church at Low Level

Pitt County, North Carolina

Commencing on Friday before the 1st. Saturday and Sunday in October, 3, 4, 5, 1924

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PROCEEDINGS

The Union Association of the Primitive Baptist was held with the Church at Low Level in Pitt County. North Carolina, commencing Friday before first Saturday and Sunday in October, 3, 4 and 5, 1924.

Service was opened with praise and prayer to the Almighty God. Elder James Hines sang the 3rd hymn and offered prayer. Elder Simon Hemby read from the 40th chapter of Psalms of David, "And I waited patiently for the Lord and he inclined uuto me and heard my cries." After the morning lesson was read Elder Robert Edwards was called to the stand and preached the introductory sermon. His text was from 21st, chapter and 42nd, verse of Matthew. After Elder Edwards dismissed the stand Elder Jerman Barnes proceeded to preach the Alternate Sermon. His text was from 40th. chapter and 7th. verse of Psalms. Service was closed by singing hymn No. 518 and intermission of 30 minutes was given.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

After an intermission of 30 minutes had passed the several Messengers assembled themselves toge her and a list of names was called, All were present. Then the law, 18th. chapter of Matthew was read by the Moderator. Service was opened by singing hymn No. 535. Prayer was offered by Elder Cannon Mills. Then service was called to order by the Moderator, and ready for busines.

Sec. 1 The delegates from the several churches chose Elder John Johnson Moderator, and Elder Jerman Barnes Asst. Moderator.

Sec. 2. On motion Bro. David Bynum was chosen Clerk and Bro. Benjamin Bynum Assistant Clerk.

Sec. 3. On motion that Bro. William Finch remain Treasurer,

Sec. 4. On motion that an Arrangement Committee be appointed. Elder John Johnson chairman of committee. Elders Simon Hemby and Ross Williams. On motion Bro. Bill Williams be reporter of texts.

Sec. 5 On motion we appoint a Finance Committee. Bro. Benjamin Bynum. Chairman of committee; Bros. John Simms, Amos Bryant and Isaac Williams, committee.

On motion the Arrangement Committee appoint Ministers to the stand to preach for the people. The committee agreed to send Bro. Walter Brock to the stand to open service. His text ____ _____. Bro. Moses Norvel came next and preached, text from 25th. chapter Jeremiah, 1st. verse. Then Bro. Andrew Reid came forth and preached from 2nd. Corinthians, 2nd. chapter and 9th. verse.

Sec. 6 On motion that messengers of this Association make their report. All churches of the Union Association reported in peace.

On motion that our Corresponding Messengers from the different Association come forth and make their report.

Bro. Phelix Powell from the Little River Association came forth and represented in peace, desiring to be remembered in this Association. Elder James Hines came forth and represented the Loving Association in peace, desiring to be remembered in this Association. Elder Simon Hemby came forth and represented the Barren River Association in Indianapolis, Ind., and correspondence was also taken with the Flint River Association of Chattanooga, Tenn.; and the Running Water Association of Florida. These two Associations took up correspondence through and by the Barren River Association of Indiana, and was represented. Elder Arthur Cherry came forth and represented the Corresponding Association in peace, desiring a friendly correspondence with this Association. Union Association was represented by Elders Simon Hemby and James Hines as delegates, who visited the Barren River Association. They desire fellowship with the Union Association. They were received by the Moderator extending the right hand of fellowship to the Messengers. Next to come forth was Elder Paul Bunch from the Contentnea Association, represented in peace, desiring to be remembered in this Conference. Next was Bro. John Perry from the Loving Association desiring a friendly correspondence with this Association. All is peace and love.

The above named Messengers all were received by the Moderator extending the right hand of fellowship to the Messengers.

Sec. 7. On motion that all licensed ministers shall present their license to this Association.

Sec. 8. On motion that we have a thousand (1000) minutes printed by the Moderator and Clerk.

Sec. 9. On motion that the old Treasurer make her report. Reported $2.01.

Sec. 10. On motion that the report of the Treasurer be received. All agreed.

Sec 11. On motion that the Finance Committee make their report. They reported $173 37.

Sec. 12. On motion Conference adjourn by singing hymn No. 674.

FRIDAY NIGHT SESSION

Service was opened with hymn No. 533, lined by Bro. Amos Bryant, Prayer by Bro. Ed. Dawes, after which the Moderator appointed Elders James Hines. Cannon Mills and Arthur Perry to preach for the people. Elder James Hines sang hymn No. 41 and preached from the 14th. chapter of St. John—"Let not your Heart be Troubled." Next was Elder Arthur Cherry, his text was from Daniel, 3rd. chapter and 17th verse. Words "If it be so our Saviour. whom we serve, is able to deliver us from the burning Fiery Furnace, and He will deliver us out of the hand of the King." Next was Elder Cannon Mill and bore witness with the four leading Bros. Elder John Johnson arose next and preached from Rev. 10:7 and after thanking the people for their nice behavior, he dismissed the audience with hymn No. 2.

Elder John Johnson, Moderator
Bro. David Bynum, Clerk

SATURDAY MORNING SESSION

After the delegates had assembled themselves together the Moderator appointed Elder Simon Hemby to read the morning lesson from the 13th. chapter of Romans 1-14 verses. Subject; "Love the Fulfilling of the Law." Service was opened by singing hymn No 200. Prayer was offered to the Aimighty God by Elder Simon Hemby. Then the Moderator arose to address the delegates and audience of the Conference. He announced the Conference ready for business.

1. On motion that a list of the Messengers be enrolled and called. The Clerk found on calling the roll that all delegates were marked present,

2. On motion that the program of the Friday afternoon session be read for necessary corrections.

3. On motion that the Arrangement Committee appoint some ministers to the stand to preach for the people.

The committee agreed to send to the stand to preach for the people the following brethren: Bro. Abraham Atkinson opened service by singing hymn No. Elder Jonah Bunch follow-

ed. His text was from St. John, 2nd. chapter. Words: "And I Am the True Vine." Next to come forth was Bro. Nan Haskin and preached from St. John 5:3. Next was Elder Austin Porter and preached from Romans 8:5 and closed.

On motion that petitionary letters be called for. There was not any.

On motion that Elder James Hines remain with the church as its pastor at Mt. Havord, Little River Association and also pastor at Hartsville Loving Association.

On motion that Elder Simon Hemby remain pastor of the church at Belema Chapel, Sharpsburg, N C., Contentnea Association.

On motion that the delegates retire and decide where the 1925 Association shall convene at It was agreed between the brethren that the next Association shall convene with the church at Seven Holly, five miles north of Farmville, N. C. Get off the train at Farmville and take a transfer to the church. Elder Elder Cannon Mills was appointed to preach the Introductory sermon, Elder Adam Edwards, alternate sermon.

On motion that we get out messengers to visit sister Associations. Elders John Johnson and Robert Edwards to the Little River Association, 1925. Elder James Hines to the Corresponding Association. Elder Simon Hemby with him. Elders Jerman Barnes and Ross Williams to the Contentnea in Goldsboro, N. C.

On motion that Elders Robert Edwards and Ross Williams visit the Barren River Association, Louisville, Ky., on Saturday before the 4th. Sunday in September, 1925.

On motion that the Moderator and Clerk write the circular letter. On motion the Decorum Articles of Faith, the names of the ministers and their post office, time of quarterly meetings be printed in these minutes.

On motion that the election of pastors be transferred to the Decorum and taken from the work of the Minutes.

On motion Conference adjourn 30 minutes by singing benediction.

SATURDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

After an intermission of thirty minutes the delegates assembled themselves together and sang. Prayer was offered by Elder Adam Edwards. Then the Moderator called the Conference in order and ready for business.

On motion that the delegates names be called. All present.

On motion that the Saturday morning session be read and approved.

On motion that the Arrangement Committee call or appoint some ministers to the stand to preach for the people. Committee agreed to send Elders Arthur Cherry and Paul Bunch to the stand. Elder Cherry's text was from Isaiah 55:1. Elder Bunch preached from St Matthew, 7:24.

On motion we take up unfinished business if there be any.

On motion that we take up association contribution.

On motion that Finance Committee make their report. They reported $173.37.

On motion that the clerk receive $2.00 per day for his services and also be paid for time spent in with the minutes thereafter. After all expenses were paid we have left in Treasury $12.00.

On motion conference adjourn by singing hymn No. 100.

Elder John Johnson, Moderetor
Bro. David Bynum, Clerk

On motion that we take from the Treasury $35.00 tor the expense of the minutes. Done by order of the Conference.

Elder John Johnson, Moderator
Bro. David Bynum, Clerk

SATURDAY NIGHT SESSION

After the congregation had assembled, service was opened by singing hymn No. 400, then were led in prayer. The Moderator appointed Elder Adam Edwards to the stand to preached. His text was from Luke 15;6. Next came Elder Arthur Cherry his text was from Matthew, 1;18. Next to comewas Elder John Johnson. His text was from Revelation, 6:1. Elder Robert Edwards bore witness with the leading brethren and closed the meeting by thanking the people for their kindness and good attention during the services and closed with hymn No. 200.

Elder John Johnson, Moderator
Bro. David Bynum, Clerk

NAMES OF ORDAINED ELDERS

Elder John Johnson
" Jerman Barnes
" Ross Williams
" Cannon Mills
" Blount Best
Elder Jerry Williams
" Robert Edwards
" Adam Edwards
" Simon Hemby
" Fate Melton

Remarks: Elder Blount Best is now well stricken with age and has discontinued pastoring any church, but is yet contending for the faith that was once delivered to the saints. Let us hope that we may all hold out to the end and run the race with

patience finally. Brethren pray for each other and lay down every weight of sin that does so evil beset us.

Elder John Johnson, Moderator
Bro. David Bynum, Clerk

SUNDAY MORNING SESSION

The delegates all assembled Sunday morning and services were opened to the Almighty God by singing hymn No. 382. Prayer by Bro John Perry. Then the roll of delegates was called. All present. It was agreed that the circular letter be read; also agreed that ministers license be returned to them.

On motion and agreed that Conference adjourn by singing hymn No. 701.

MINISTERS TEXTS

Bro Abraham Atkinson opened the service to the Almighty God with singing and praise.

Elder Boss Williams came forth to preach. His text was from 65th chapter of Isaiah, 1 verse. Elder Jerman Barnes took the same text and bore witness.

Elder Simon Hemby came forth next and preached from 22nd. chapter Revelations and last words. Amen.

Elder Arthur Cherry came forth. His text was from Matthew, 1st. chapter and 1st. verse.

Elder John Johnson came forth. His text was from Rev., 10th. chapter, 10-22nd. verses and closed the services by kindly thanking the audience for their good attention and for taking care of visiting brethren and friends. Closed with hymn No. 618. Subject: "The Christians Farewell."

Elder John Johnson, Moderator
" Jerman Barnes, Asst. Mod.
Bro. David Bynum, Clerk
Bro. Benj. Bynum, Asst. Clerk

LICENSED MINISTERS

Bro. Nan Haskin
" Walter Brooks
" Atlis Ellis
Bro. Andrew Reid
" Abraham Adkins
" Moses Novel
Bro. Jonas Woodard

CONTRIBUTIONS OF EACH CHURCH, DELEGATES AND THEIR POST OFFICE

Harpers Chapel. Bro. Bill Williams, Farmville. $25.00

Tyson Creek. Bro. Sam Tyson, Greenville. $20.00.
Oaky Grove. Bro. John Simms, Wilson. $12.50.
Mt. Zion Grove. Amos Bryant, Winterville $13.50.
Low Level. James Novel, Fountain. $8.00.
Cobbs Chapel, O. S. Wooten, Fountain. $7.50.

SUNDAY MORNING SESSION

Reference to Ministers Texts

Elder Ross Williams, Isaiah 65:1. Words---"Ho, everyone that thirstieth, come ye to the waters; and he that hath no money, come buy and eat. Yea come buy wine without money with price." Elder Jerman Barnes preached from the same text.

Elder Simon Hemby. Words--"The Grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all, Amen. Revelation 22:21.

Elder Arthur Cherry. Words---"Now the birth of Jesus Christ was on this wise when as His mother Mary was exposed to Joseph before they came together she was found with child of the Holy Ghost." St. Matthew 1:18.

Elder John Johnson Words---"And I took the little book out of the Angel's hand and ate it up, and it was in my mouth sweet as honey, and soon as I had eaten it my belly was bitter" Revelation 10:10.

Friendship. W. M. Finch, Benj. Bynum. Lucama.
Seven Holly; George Taylor, Fountain. $27 50.
Union Grove; John Sims, Isaac Williams, Wilson. $20.50.
Healthy Plain; Ed. Dawes, Wilson. $5.00.
Fountain Hill; Henry Wooten, Fountain. $4.50.
Gays Chapel, O S. Wooten, Fountain $5.00.

CIRCULAR LETTER

Dear Brethren: This is our 52nd. Annual Session of the Union Primitive Baptist Association, held with the church at Low Level, Pitt County, N. C., commencing Friday before the 1st. Sunday in October, 1924.

We are indeed glad that God has blessed us to meet in another annual session, around one common mercy seat and to show forth the praise of the Lord once more. We are glad to acknowledge the goodness of the Lord towards us, glad that He has joined us together from ocean to ocean and has enabled us to see the glorious light of Zion spreading far and wide. Feeling though sometimes that we are persecuted, but not forsaken; cast down, but not forgotten. Finally Dear Brethren, let us stand together as men of God and endure afflictions that

the cause of Christ may go on; and let us stand up for His cause until traveling days are done.

Done by order of Conference.

Elder S. E. Hemby, Writer
" John Johnson, Moderator
Bro. David Bynum, Clerk
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CHURCHES, PASTORS, POST OFFICES AND TIME OF QUARTERLY MEETINGS

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Oaky Grove. Elder Jerman Barnes, Wilson. 4th Sunday in December.

Friendship. Elder Jerman Barnes, Wilson. 3rd. Sunday in January.

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12. Every church of this Association shall have power to hold an election once a year and elect or re-elect their pastor.

13. No licensed minister shall be ordained in this Association without first building up a church and receiving two or three members, or accept church calls for him. Then he must preach a trial sermon before three or more ordained Elders. Then he shall be deemed fit for ordination.

14. Any church belonging to the Union Association if cut off or dropped by an act of this body or a Union Meeting, no brother or brothers shall take it up, neither any Association

whom we correspond with. Such shall be received only by petitionary letters to the Union.

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We believe the doctrine of original sin. We belleve in the doctrine of mans impotency to recover himself from the fallen state he is in by nature of his own free will and ability. We believe that sinners are justified in the sight of God only by imputed brightness of Christ.

We believe that God's elects shall be called, converted and sanctified by the Holy Ghost.

We believe that saints shall persevere in grace and never finally fall.

We believe that Baptism, the Lord's Supper and washing the Saints feet are ordinances, and the true mode of baptism is by immersion.

We believe in the resurrection of the dead and a general judgment,

We believe that the punishment of the wicked will be everlasting and the joys of the righteous shall be eternal,

We believe that no minister has the right to administer the ordinances of baptism and the Lord's Supper except such as regularly ordained presbyter.

Elder Johny Johnson, Moderator
Elder Jerman Barnes, Asst. Moderator
Bro. David Bynum, Clerk
" Benjamin Bynum, Asst. Clerk

Dear Reader:

You will find here in our Minutes the Biography of Elder John Johnson, the Moderator of the Union Primitive Baptist Association.

Elder John Johnson was born May 10th, 1848 and became a member of the Primitive Baptist Church at Hearts Meeting House, now known as Harpers Chapel. He was baptized in July, 1869; served in the office of Deacon three years and was then called to the work of the Ministry in 1872, and since that time organized sixteen churches in the Union Primitive Baptist Association, which Association has held 51 Annual Sessions. He has traveled through eight different states and has made correspondence with several Associations. He has organized churches, received and baptized members in Mississippi and South Carolina and at this writing he is still the Moderator of the Union Primitive Baptist Association. He preaches the gospel of Jesus Christ with great power, and seems to be as full of zeal as he was years ago when conversing with the writer concerning his work in the ministry. He said—"I have been working in the cause of Christ ever since 1869 and I am not tired yet. I have had many stumbles and down falls and yet I have, by the help of God, arose and contended for the faith that was once delivered to the Saints, and I never expect to give up the battle until the God of heaven says—

'Thou faithful servant, come up higher,
For hell may rage and venture spite,
Yet Christ will save His hearts delight'

I have always, since God opened my blinded eyes, believed in predestination and election, that is, that God saved His people in the beginning of time, for as the scripture sayeth, "Has not the Potter power over the same lump of clay to make one vested unto honor and one unto dishonor." (See Romans, 9th. chapter, 21st. verse.) Elder Johnson was ordained by Elders Lot Davis, Abe, Jones and David Davis at Union Grove Church in Craven County New Bern, N. C.

Written by BRO. DAVID BYNUM

STATISTICAL TABLE

CHURCHES	PASTORS	DELEGATES	Baptized	Rec. by Excom.	Rec. by Letter	Excluded	Restored	Deceased	Members	Contribution
Harpers Chapel	John Johnson	Bill Williams, George Farmer	0	0	0	1	0	1	42	$25.00
Tyson Creek	Ross Williams	Leon Tyson	0	0	0	1	0	0	30	20.00
Oaky Grove	Jerman Barnes	John Sims	0	0	0	0	0	0	21	12.50
Mt Zion Grove	Cannon Mills	Amos Bryant	0	0	0	0	6	3	22	13.50
Low Level	Robert Edwards	James Novel	2	1	0	0	0	0	13	8.00
Cobbs Chapel	Robert Edwards	O. S. Wooten	0	0	0	0	0	0	10	7.50
Friendship	Jerman Barnes	W. M. Finch, Benj. Bynum	4	0	0	0	1	3	37	27.50
Seven Holly	Simon Hemby	George Taylor	0	0	0	3	0	0	26	20.00
Gays Chapel	O. S. Wooten	Jerry Williams	0						4	3.00
Union Grove	Jerman Barnes	John Simms, Isaac Williams	1	0	0	0	1	1	36	20.50
Healthy Plain	Simon Hemby	Ed. Dawes	0	0	0	0	0	0	8	5.00
Fountain Hill	Adam Edwards	Henry Wooten	0	0	0	0	0	0	6	4.50
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PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

52nd. Annual Session

OF THE

Union Primitive Baptist Association

Held With

Church at Seven Holly

PITT COUNTY, N. C.

Commencing on Friday before the First Saturday and Sunday in October, 1925

Barrett's Printing House
Wilson, N. C.

1925

PROCEEDINGS

The Union Association of the Primitive Baptist was held with the Church at Seven Holly, Pitt County, N. C., commencing on Friday before the 1st. Sunday in October, 2nd, 3rd. and 4th., 1925.

Service was opened with praise and prayer to the Almighty God. Elder James Hines selected hymn No. 400. Elder Robert Edwards offered prayer to the Almighty God. Then the Moderator called on Elder Simon Hemby to read the morning lesson. He read from 92nd. Psalm of David. Words—"And it is a good thing to give praise unto the Lord and to sing praise to thy Holy Name, O Most High." After reading the morning lesson, the Moderator called Elder Cannon Mills to the stand to preach the Introductory sermon. His text was from 14th. chapter of St. John. Words—"Let not your heart be troubled.', Elder Adam Edwards came forth to preach the Alternate sermon after singing hymn No. 341. His text was from 14th. chapter and 1st. verse of Rev. After Elder Edwards dismissed the stand the Moderator closed service by singing hymn No. 505 and gave intermission for 30 minutes.

FRIDAY EVENING SESSION

After thirty minutes intermission the delegates met in conference and sang praise No. 38; then the clerk called the roll and all messengers were present and conference was announced ready for business.

On motion that we hear the laws read. The Moderator called Elder Simon Hemby to read the 18th chapter of Matthew, the law.

On motion that conference be opened by praise and prayer. Elder John Johnson lined hymn No. 38. Prayer was offered by Elder Ross Williams.

On motion that three Committees retire and decide who shall be our next Moderator and Clerk. The committee appointed Elder John Johnson Moderator, Bro. David Bynum Clerk. Elder Jerman Barnes Assistant Moderator, Bro. Benjamin Bynum Assistant Clerk.

On motion that Bro. William Finch remain our Association Treasurer.

On motion that a committee on arrangement of preaching be appointed. Elders Simon Hemby, James Hines and Robert Edwards was appointed the committee. Bro. Bill Williams was appointed reporter of ministers texts.

On motion that visiting brethren be invited to take seats with us and take a part in Conference and feel themselves at home.

The committee appointed Bro. Walter Brooks to open service at the stand with praise and prayer. Bro. Abraham Ad kinson proceeded, his text was from 1st. chapter. 12th. verse of St. John. Next was Bro. Andrew Reid, his text was 3rd chapter and 1st. verse of St. John.

On motion that we appoint a Finance Committee. Bros. Benjamin Bynum, Isaac Williams and Amos Bryant were appointed Finance Committee.

On motion that the Messengers from the Union Association make their report. All the churches were represented in peace and desiring to be remembered in this Conference and to keep up a friendly correspondence.

On motion that petitionary letters be called for if there be any. Elder Moses Novel came forth to enter the Association with a new church. He was assigned to Gay's Chapel. Done by order of Conference. this the 2nd. day of October, 1925.

On motion that report on sister churches be received.

On motion that corresponding messengers come forth and make their report. Elder George Artice came forth from the Loving Association and represented her in peace and desiring to be remembered in this Conference. Next was Elder Paul Bunch from the Contentnea Association; all is in peace and desires to be remembered in this Conference. Next was Bro. Phelix Powell, also in peace and desires to be remembered in this Conference. Bro. Powell is from the Little River Association. Next was Elder Taylor from the Radicue Association, represented in peace and desiring to be remembered in this Conference. The Barren River Association was represented by letter and a file of minutes. Reported in peace and desires to be remembered in the conference. The Messengers report was received by the Moderator extending the right hand of fellowship to the Messengers with words of greetings.

SATURDAY MORNING SESSION

Conference opened at 9:30 o'clock. The several delegates meet together and after the roll call and all being present, Conference was called to order by praise and prayer to the Almighty God. Sang praise No. 533. Prayer by Elder James Hines. Then the Moderator called Elder Simon Hemby to read the 18th. chapter of Matthew, the law. Then the Moderator announced Conference ready for business.

On motion that roll of delegates be called and absence noted.

On motion that visiting brethren be invited to take seats with us and take part in Conference and feel themselves at home.

On motion that we hear the proceedings of last session read and errors corrected. Elder Austin Porter who was absent Friday came forth to represent the Correspondence Association. All is in peace and desires to be remembered in this Conference. He was received by the Moderator extending the right hand of fellowship with words of greeting.

On motion that the Arrangement Committee appoint some minister to the stand to preach for the people. The committee appointed Bro. Nan Haskin. His text was 1st. chapter, 12th. verse of St. John. Elder Robert Edwards followed; his text was from 13th chapter, 15th. verse of St. John. Elder George Artice came forth, his text was from the book of Moses, 2nd. chapter.

On motion that petitionary letters be called for, if any.

On motion that Elder Simon Hemby remain with the church at Bellamy Chapel of the Contentnea Association.

On motion that Elder James Hines remain pastor of the church at Mt. Havored, Little River Association.

On motion that Elder James Hines remain with the church at Hartsville, Loving Association.

The several delegates retired to decide where the next Association shall go. Their verdict was that the next Association shall convene with the church at Harpers Chapel, 3 miles south of Farmville, N. C., Green County. Elder Fate Melton was chosen to preach the introductory sermon. Eld. Jerman Barnes to preach the alternate sermon.

On motion that the Decorum, Articles of Faith, Ministers names, their Post Office Address and their quarterly meeting dates be printed in the Minutes.

On motion that we get out messengers to visit sister Associations.

To the Correspondence, Elder John Johnson and Eld. Ross Williams with him,

To the Little River Association, Elder Simon Hemby and Elder Jerman Barnes with him.

To the Contentnea Association, Elder Robert Edwards and Elder Fate Melton with him, 1925.

To the Radicue, Elder Cannon Mills, 1926.

On motion and agreed that we represent the Union Association to the Barren River Association of Indianapolis, Ind. by letter and a file of minutes.

SATURDAY EVENING SESSION

After an intermission of one hour the several delegates as sembled themselves together. Service was open by singing hymn No. 337. Prayer was offered to the Almighty God by Elder Simon Hemby. The roll was called, all messengers answered present. Messengers from sister Associations names were called, all present.

On motion that the morning session be read

On motion that visiting brethren be invited to take seats with us take a part in conference and make themselves at home.

On motion that the Arrangement Committee send some ministers to the stand to preach for the people. The Commit tee agreed to send Elders Jerman Barnes, Paul Bunch and Moses Novel. Elder Novel's text was from Isaiah 45th. chapter, 7th, verse. Elder Paul Bunch' text was from Matthew, 7th. chapter, 24th. verse. Elder Jerman Barnes' text was from Isaiah 40th. chapter, 1st. verse.

On motion that unfinished business be taken up if there be any.

On motion that we take up Association contribution.

On motion that the Finance Committee make their report. The Committee reported $183.23.

On motion that we pay our Moderator $4.00 per day and pay the Clerk $3.00 per day.

On motion that we pay off the expenses of the Association. After paying off the Association expenses we have left in Treasurer $77.10, and $50.00 for printing minutes which leaves $27.10 in hands of Treasurer. Bro. W. M. Finch, Treasurer.

On motion and agreed Conference adjourn by singing hymn No. 506.

SUNDAY MORNING SERVICE

Service was opened by praise No. 275. Prayer was offered to the Almighty God by Elder Jerry Williams. The Moderator arose to address the people. After having made a short talk the people, invited by the Moderator, to take seats out to the stand. After singing hymn No. 704, Conference adjourned until 1926.

Ministers Text for Sunday Morning Service

Elder Jerry Williams opened service by singing praise No. 185, with prayer. Elder Fate Melton came forth. His text was from the 16th. chapter, 17th. verse of Job. Words—"My witness is in heaven and my records on high."

Elder Austin Porter came forth next. His text was from 8th. chapter of Rome.

Next came forth was Elder Richard Edwards from Georgia and sang praise No. 411. His text was from the 8th. chapter of Romans.

Elder James Hines came forth and sang hymn No. 200. His text was from the 14th. chapter, 3rd. verse of St. John.

Elder Simon Hemby followed the foreleading Elders and closed by thanking the people for their kindness in taking care of the visitors and closed the service by singing hymn No. 298.

LICENSED MINISTERS

Brother Nan Haskin	Brother Andrew Reid
" Walter Brooks	" Abraham Adkins
" Atlis Ellis	" Jonas Woodard

CIRCULAR LETTER

Dear Brethrens:—

This being our 52nd Annual Session of the Union Primitive Baptist Association held with the Church at Seven Holly, Pitt County, N. C., commencing on Friday before the 1st. Sunday in October, 1926.

Brethren, we are indeed glad that our Heavenly Father has permitted us to meet in another annual session around one common mercy seat, to mingle our voices together in praise to Him who doeth all things well. We are glad that He still enables us to acknowledge His goodness to us; glad that He has joined us together from ocean to ocean, and has let us see the glorious light of Zion spread far and wide. Although feeling sometimes that we have missed the substance and caught the shadow, we have a hope which is the anchor of our soul, both sure and

steadfast. Feeling that we are tempted but not distress, persecuted but not forsaken, cast down but not destroyed.

Finally, dear brethren let us stand together as children of God, endure affliction, bear one anothers burdens and pray for each other that the Lord may cause us to thrive and grow, and that He will bend our will His way until traveling days are done.

Done by order of Conference.

Elder Simon Hemby
Elder John Johnson, Moderator
Bro. David Bynum, Clerk

NAMES OF ORDAINED ELDERS

Elder John Johnson	Elder Robert Edwards
" Cannon Mills	" Simon Hemby
" Blount Best	" Adam Edwards
" Jerman Barnes	" Fate Melton
" Ross Williams	" Moses Novel

Elder Jerry Williams

CHURCHES, PASTORS, POST OFFICE AND TIME OF QUARTERLY MEETINGS

Harpers Chapel, Elder John Johnson, Farmville, N. C.; 3rd. Sunday in February.

Tyson Creek, Elder Ross Williams, Farmville, N. C.; 4th. Sunday in February.

Low Level, Elder Robert Edwards, Fountain, N. C.; 2nd. Sunday in January.

Mt. Zion Grove, Elder Cannon Mills, Winterville, N. C.; 3rd. Sunday in January.

Oaky Grove, Elder Jerman Barnes, Wilson, N. C., 4th. Sunday in December.

Friendship, Elder Jerman Barnes, Wilson. N. C.; 3rd. Sunday in January.

Cobbs Chapel, Elder Robert Edwards, Fountain, N C.

Seven Holly, Elder Simon Hemby, Greenville, N. C., Route 6, Box 112; 1st. Sunday in March.

Gays Chapel, Elder Moses Novel, Fountain, N. C.; 2nd. Sunday in February.

Union Grove, Elder Jerman Barnes, Wilson, N. C.; 2nd. Sunday in February.

Healthy Plain, Elder Simon Hemby, 3rd. Sunday in Jan.

Fountain Hill, Elder Adam Edwards, Fountain, N. C.; 4th Sunday in January.

Jerusalem Grove, Elder Fate Melton, Wilson, N. C.; 1st. Sunday in February.

CONTRIBUTIONS OF EACH CHURCH AND THEIR DELEGATES AND THEIR POST OFFICE

Harpers Chapel, Bro. B. Williams, Farmville	$25.00
Tyson Creek, Bro. Lamm Tyson, Greenville	20.00
Oaky Grove, Bro. John Sims, Wilson	13.50
Mt. Zion Grove, Bro. Amos Bryant, Winterville	15.00
Low Level, Bro. James Novel, Fountain	7.50
Cobs Chapel, Bro. O. S. Wooten, Fountain	7.30
Friendship, Bro. W. M. Finch, Lucama	30 50
Seven Holly, Bro. Geo. H. Taylor, Fountain	15.50
Union Grove, Bro. John Sims, Wilson,	21.00
Healthy Plain, Bro. Ed. Davis, Wilson	5.50
Fountain Hill, Bro. Henry Wooten, Fountain	5.00
Gay's Chapel, Bro. James Novel, Fountain	2.50
Jerusalem Grove, Bro. Leston Pitt, Wilson	3.50

David Bynum, Clerk, Lucama, N. C., R. 3. Box 34

NAMES OF CORRESPONDING MESSENGERS

Elder Robert Taylor from the Radicue Association.
Elder Paul Bunch from the Contentnea Association.
Elder Austin Porter from the Corresponding Association.
Elder George Artist from the Loving Association.
Bro. Phelix Powell from the Little River Association.
Elder Richard Edwards from Georgia.

Dear Reader:-

You will find here in our Minutes, the Biography of Elder John Johnson, Moderatorof Union Primitive Baptist Association.

Elder John Johnson was born May 10th. 1848 and became a member of the Primitive Baptist Church at Hearts Church, now known as Harpers Chapel. He was baptised in July 1869, served in the office of Deacon three years and was then called to the work of the ministry in 1872, and since that time has organized 16 churches in the Union Primitive Baptist Association; which Association has held 52 annual sessions. He has traveled through 8 different States and has made correspondence with several Associations. He has organized churches, received and

baptised members in Mississippi and other States, and at this writing, he is still the Moderator of the Union Association. He preaches the Gospel of Jesus Christ with great zeal and holds up in fine style when conversing with the writer concerning his ministry work. He said---"I have been working the cause of Christ ever since 1869 and I am not tired yet. I have had many stumbles and downfalls and yet I have, by the help of God, arose and contended for the faith that was once delivered to the saints, and I never expect to give up until the God of Heaven says---

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Elder John Johnson was ordained by Elders Lot Davis, Abe Jones and David Davis at Union Grove Church in Craven County, New Bern, N. C.

RULES OF DECORUM

1. No member shall be received from a sister church without a letter of dismission.

2. If a member be given to raising in the church, whether minister or member, the church must at once take steps to exclude such member.

3. No member shall be allowed to visit ball rooms or parties; and if they do they will be in the hands of the church and will be excluded from the church.

4. Members who will not obey our rules which are simple and easy will not be held.

5. When a member has been excluded for violating the rules of the church, comes back and makes confession before the church, it is the duty of the church to receive the member. And if there are any through malice, not willing to receive the member, they shall be in the hands of the church.

6. Each church shall fast three times each year.

7. No ordained church of the same faith shall be nearer than seven miles.

8. Any member who calls for their name and keeps it in his or her pocket over three months is considered out of the church.

9. Any member failing to attend three succeeding quarterly meetings without sickness shall be in the hands of the church.

10. All Elders and Ministers of this Association shall hereafter return their credentials and license to the Association at its annual meeting, that they may be in possession of the Association in case it has anything against such Elder or minister.

11. All churches of this Association shall have ordained Deacons if they possibly can.

12. Every church of this Association shall have power to hold an election once a year and elect or re-elect their pastor.

13. No licensed minister shall be ordained in this Association without first building up a church and receiving two or three members, or except some church called for him for their pastor, then he must preach a trial sermon before three or more Elders, then he shall be fit for ordination.

14. Any church belonging to the Union Association if cut off or dropped by an act of this body or a Union meeting, no brother or brothers shall take it up, neither any Association whom we correspond with. Such church shall be received only by petitionary letters to the Union.

15. We especially prohibit any member belonging to the Union Association to join any secret organization. If any member joins such society they shall not be held by any church belonging to the Union Association. If any church knowingly holds such member or members, it shall be dropped by the Association.

ELDER JOHN JOHNSON, Moderator
BRO. DAVID BYNUM, Clerk

ABSTRACTS OF PRINCIPLES

We believe in one true and living God, the Father, the Word and the Holy Ghost.

We believe that the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments are the words of God and the only rule of faith and practice.

We believe in one Superior Eternal God the creator and upholder of all beings and the disposer of all events for there are three that bear record in heaven; the Father, the Word and the Holy Ghost. and these three are one. I John 1:5.

We believe in the total depravity and just condemnation of all the fallen race of Adam.

We believe in original sin and that the punishment of the wicked shall be everlasting and the joys of the righteous eternal. We believe that God's elect shall be called, converted, regenerated, sanctified by the Holy Ghost.

We believe that the saints shall always preserve in grace and never finally fall away.

We believe that baptism, the Lord's Supper and the washing of the saints' feet are ordinances of Jesus Christ and that true believers in Jesus Christ are the only subjects entitled to these privileges.

We believe the mode of baptism is by immersing in water.

We believe that God chose his people in Christ Jesus before the world began.

We believe that no minister has a right to the administration of ordinances only such as are regularly baptized, called and come under the imposition of the hands presbyter.

We believe that none but regularly baptized members have the right to commune at the Lord's Table.

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Oaky Grove	Jerman Barnes	John Sims	0	0	0	0	0	0	23	13.50
Mt. Zion Grove	Cannon Mills	Amos Bryant	0	0	1	0	0	0	23	15.00
Low Level	Robert Edwards	James Novel	1	1	0	1	2	1	13	7.50
Cobs Chapel	Robert Edwards	O. S. Wooten	0	0	0	0	1	0	11	7.50
Friendship	Jerman Barnes	W. M. Finch, B. Bynum	6	0	0	0	0	1	49	30.50
Seven Holly	Simon Hemby	Geo. Taylor, G. Barnes	1	0	0	1	0	0	26	15.50
Gay's Chapel	Moses Novel	James Novel	2	0	0	0	0	0	3	2.50
Union Grove	Jerman Barnes	J. Sims, I. Williams	1	0	0	0	1	1	33	21.00
Healthy Plain	Simon Hemby	Ed. Davis	1	1	0	0	0	0	9	5.50
Fountain Hill	Adam Edwards	Henry Wooten	0	0	0	0	0	0	7	5.00
Jerusalem Grove	Fate Melton	Leston Pitt	2	0	1	0	0	0	5	3.50

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PROCEEDINGS

—OF THE—

54th Annual Session

—OF THE—

Union Primitive Baptist Association

HELD WITH

The Church of Mt. Zion Grove

Commencing on Friday before the First Saturday and Sunday in October, 1927.

Renfrew Printing Company
Greenville, N. C.

1927

PROCEEDINGS

The service began by singing hymn No. 533, lined by Brother Abraham Atkinson. After which Elder S. E. Hemby read for an opening lesson the 5th chapter of St. Matthew, sang hymn No. 433. Prayer by Brother Bill Williams. The introductory sermon was preached by Elder Jerman Barnes from Joel 2, 1st verse, followed by Elder Robert Edwards who sang hymn No. 328 and preached the Alternate Sermon from Acts 8:33. Services were closed by singing hymn 701. Recess for one hour.

FRIDAY EVENING SESSION

After an intermission of one hour the Association assembled and sang hymn No. 492, prayer by Elder James Hines, then the Moderator announced the house in order for business.

On motion that a lesson be read, the lesson was read by Elder S. E. Hemby from the 3rd chapter of St. Matthew.

On motion the reading of the lesson be received as being beneficial to all.

On motion the delegates from the several churches retire and choose a moderator and clerk. The delegates chose Elder John Johnson, Moderator, S. E. Hemby, Assistant Moderator, Brother David Bynum, Clerk, Brother Bennie Bynum, Assisant Clerk.

On motion Brother William Finch remain Treasurer.

On motion Brother John Peyton remain reporter.

On motion a committee on arrangement of preaching be appointed. Elder John Johnson, Elder James Hines, Elder Robert Edwards.

On motion we choose a finance committee. Brothers Bennie Bynum, Amos Bryant, Jim Artis, Oscar Wooten, Leaston Pitt.

On motion the messengers from the several churches make their report and their names enrolled.

Harpers Chapel: Bill Williams, Jessie Taylor.

Tysons Creek: Lamm Tyson and Amos Bryant.

Oaky Grove: John Simms.

Mt. Zion Grove: Amos Bryant.

Low Level: James Artis.

Cobbs Chapel: Oscar Wooten, Marcelus Moore.

Friendship: William Finch, Bennie Bynum.

Seven Holly: Golden Barnes.

Gays Chapel: John Ellis.

Union Grove: John Simms.

Healthy Plains: Leaston Pitt.

Fountain Hill: Henry Wooten.

Jerusalem Grove: Leaston Pitt.

Jerico Chapel: Isaac Edwards. All repoted in peace.

On motion the report of the messengers be received.

On motion Messengers from sister associations make their report.

Brother Joe Everett from the Little River reported in peace and desired that friendly correspondence continue.

Elder Grant Carr from the Loving reported in peace.

Elder H. M. Smith from the Radecue reported in peace.

Elder W. M. K. Taylor represented the Contentnae as being in peace.

The Consolidated Flint River and Running Water was represented by letter and a file of minutes, also the Indian Creek. The messengers were received by the Moderator extending the right hand of fellowship.

On motion the committee on arrangement of preaching make their report.

The Committee appointed Brother Abraham Atkinson to open the service at the stand. Brother Andrew Reid to follow. Elder Grant Carr to close.

On motion that all Elders and preachers present their license to the Moderator.

On motion the Moderator and Clerk have 1000 Minutes printed and distributed.

On motion that Conference adjourn. Conference adjourned by singing hymn 506.

FRIDAY NIGHT SESSION

The service was opened by praise and prayer, sang hymn No.. 433, prayer by Brother Bennie Bynum. Then the moderator announced Brother Abraham Atkinson. His text was Revelations 21st Chapter, 1st verse, followed by Elder James Hines who sang Hymn No. 400, his text was St. John, 3rd chapter, 1st verse. Followed by Elder Adam Edwards, text St. John, 1st chapter, 1st verse. Followed by Elder H. M. Smith, text St. John, 14th Chapter, 1st, 2nd and 3rd verses. The service was closed by Elder Robert Edwards singing 507. Benediction by the Moderator.

SATURDAY MORNING SESSION

The Association met pursuant to adjournment opened b ysinging hymn No. 540. Then the Moderator called Elder Robert Edwards to read and discuss the rules and laws of the Union Primitive Baptist Association and also read the articles of faith to the church.

The Conference was opened by singing hymn 352 lined by Elder Ross Williamson, prayer by Elder Ross Williamson. Then the Moderator announced the house in order for business.

On motion the list of Delegates be called and absentees noted.

On motion that visiting brethern be invited to seats with us and feel themselves at home.

On motion the committee on arrangement make their report.

The committee appointed Elder Fate Melton to the stand, followed by Elder Moses Norvel, followed by Elder Cannon Mills.

On motion Friday's session be read and adopted.

On motion petitionary letters be called for if any Brother Joe Everett petitioned the Association for Elder James Hines to remain with the church at Mt. Haywood during 1928. His petition was granted. Brother John Perry also petitioned the Association for Elder Hines to remain with the Loving during 1928, his petition was also granted.

On motion the Delegates from the several Churches retire and say where the next Association shall convene. It pleased the minds of the delegates to send the next annual session to Tysons Creek Church, Falkland, N. C., commencing on Friday before the First Sunday in October, 1928. Elder Fate Melton to preach the introductory sermon, Elder Moses Norvel Alternate.

On motion Elder S. E. Hemby prepare the Circular letter.

On motion we chose messengers to visit sister Associations.

On motion Elder S. E. Hemby and Elder James Hines to go to the Little River. To the Corresponding Association Brother Andrew Reid, 1927.

On motion that we correspond with the Indian Creek Association by letter and a file of minutes.

On motion that Elder John Johnson be a messenger to the Contentnea and Elder S. E. Hemby with him.

To the Radecue Association 1928, Elder Ross Williamson.

On motion that the Articles of Faith, names of ministers and their postoffices be printed on the face of the minutes.

On motion conference adjourn for one hour by singing praise No. 701. Benediction by Elder John Johnson.

After an intermission of one hour the delegates assembled and sang hymn No. 533 lined by Elder James Hines. Prayer by Brother John Berry. Then the Moderator announced the conference in order for business.

On motion that list of delegates be called and absentees noted.

On motion that corresponding messengers be called, all present.

On motion that visiting brethern be invited to seats with us and feel themselves at home.

On motion that petitionary letters be called for if any.

On motion that the committee on arrangement of preaching make their report.

Brother Walter Brooks to open, Elder Adam Edwards to follow, who was also followed by Elder H. M. Smith.

On motion that we get a messenger to visit the Loving Association for 1928. To the Loving Association Elder Robert Edwards.

On motion that Saturday morning session be read and approved.

On motion the morning session be received and adopted.

On motion the circular letter be read.

On motion the circular letter be accepted by the conference.

On motion we take up unfinished business.

On motion that we take up contribution.

Contribution From Each Church

Harpers Chapel	$23.00
Tyson Creek	$21.00
Oakey Grove	$10.00
Mt. Zion Grove	$13.50
Low Level	$7.00
Cobbs Chapel	$7.50
Friendship	$29.00
Seven Holly	$20.50
Union Grove	$19.00
Healthy Plains	$9.00
Fountain Hill	$6.50
Gays Chapel	$8.00
Jeruselam Grove	$6.50
Jericho Chapel	$2.00
Found in the hands of the treosurer	$24.25
Total	$208.25

On motion the finance committee make their report.

On motion the report of the finance committee be received.

On motion the finance committee pay the expenses of the Association.

On motion the Association pay the Moderators $4 per day and pay the Clerk $3 per day.

On motion conference adjourn, sang hymn No. 507.

Elder John Johnson, Moderator
Elder Simon E. Hemby, Asstistant Mod.
Brother David Bynums, Clerk
Brother Bennie Bynums, Asst. Clerk.

SATURDAY NIGHT SESSION

The services was opened by Brother W. M. Finch, who sang hymn No. 76. Prayer by Brother Bennie Bynums. Then the Moderator announced Brother Ferdinand Hoskins, his text was from the 60th chapter of Isaih. Followed by Elder Fate Melton, who sang hymn No. 189, his text was St. John, 14th, 1st. Followed by Elder W. M. K. Taylor, who sang hymn No. 339, text Isaih 35:35. The services were closed by Elder James Hines who sang hymn No. 298.

SUNDAY MORNING SESSION

The service was opened by praise and prayer , sang hymn No. 364, prayer by brother W. M. Finch.

On motion that Saturday evening session be read and approved.

On motion that the session be received.

On motion that conference adjourn for 1927 by singing hymn No. 704.

AT THE STAND

The services began by singing hymn No. 3, lined by Brother Walter Brooks. Prayer by Brother Abraham Atkinson, then Elder Grant Carr sang hymn No. 490 and preached from St. John, 15th chapter, 1, 2. Followed by Elder Fate Melton who sang hymn No. 49 and preached from the 8th chapter of Romans. Followed by Elder W. M. K. Taylor, who used praises No. 149 and preached Peter 2, 3, 9. Followed by Elder Robert Edwards, who preached from 8th Proverbs, 20th verse. Followed by Elder Jtmes Hines who used praise No.468 and preached from the 15th chapter of St. Luke. The services was closed by Elder S. E. Hemby using as a text Isaih 35:10 and the ransomed of the Lord shall return and come to Zion with songs and everlasting joy upon their heads etc. Then the Moderator arose and thanked the people for their good behavior and for taking care of the Association and after singing hymn No. 618 came to a close.

Elder John Johnson, Moderator
Elder Simon E. Hemby, Assistant Mod.
Brother David Bynums, Clerk
Brother Bennie Bynums, Asst. Clerk.

OBITUARY

It is with sadness that I try to chronicle the death of Elder Moses Norvel. He was born Novembebr 6th, 1893 and died on November 4th, 1927, being 34 years old liking two days.

He united with the church of Low Level during the year of 1916 and soon became the Deacon of that Church, which office he faithfully served for a number of years, until he was called to the work of the ministry. He was soon ordained and was very successful in the ministry. Soon being called to Gays Chapel as pastor which office he filled until his death.

He was strong in the Faith until his death and on the morning that he died just a few minutes before his death he preached his farewell sermon (Write blessed are the dead that die in the Lord, for henceforth sayest the spirit they shall rest from their labors and their work shall follow them.) Then He called Elder Johnson, Elder Hemby, Elder Edwards, Brother Brooks—and fell asleep.

He is survived by his wife and three children, his mother, one brother and four sisters and the entire Association to mourn his loss.

List of Elders and Their Post Office, Their Churches and Time of Quarterly Meetings

Harpers Chapel, Elder John Johnson, Farmville, N. C. 3rd Sunday in February.

Tyson's Creek, Elder John Johnson, Farmville, N. C., 4th Sunday in February.

Low Level, Elder Robert Edwards, Fountain, N. C., 2nd Sunday in January.

Mt. Zion Grove, Elder Cannon Mills, Winterville, N. C., 3rd Sunday in January.

Oaky Grove, Elder Jerman Barnes, Wilson, N. C., 4th Sunday in March.

Friendship, Elder Fate Melton, Farmville, N. C., 3rd Sunday in January.

Cobbs Chapel Elder Fate Melton, Fountain, N. C., 1st Sunday in June.

Gays Chapel, Elder Moses Narvel, Greenville, N. C., 1st Sunday in May.

Union Grove, Elder Jerman Barnes, Wilson, N. C., 2nd Sunday in February.

Healthy Plains, Elder Simon E. Hemby, Greenville, N. C., 3rd Sunday in June.

Fountain Hill, Elder Adam Edwards, Fountain, N. C.,4th Sunday in January.

Jerusalem Grove, Elder Fate Melton, Wilson, N. C., 1st Sunday in May.

Jerico Chapel (Stonycreek, Va.), Elder Simon E. Hemby, 2nd Sunday in December.

LICENSED PREACHERS

Brother Shade Cox, Winterville, N. C.; Brother Nan Hoskin, Wilson, N. C.; Brother Abraham Atkinson, Fountain, N. C.; Brother Walter Brooks, Fountain, N. C.; Brother Andrew Reid, Fieldsboro, N. C.; Brother Isaac Williams, Wilson, N. C.; Brother Levi Edwards, Fountain, N. C.

NAMES OF ORDAINED ELDERS

Elder John Johnson
Elder B. J.. Best
Elder Fate Melton
Elder Jerman Barnes
Elder Ross Williamson
Elder Robert Edwards
Elder Jerry Williamston
Elder Simon E. Hemby
Elder Cannon Mills
Elder Adam Edwards

Licensed Preachers

Brother Shade Cox
Brother Nan Hoskins
Brother Andrew Reid
Brother Walter Brooks
Brother Abraham Atkinson
Brother Isaac Williams
Brother Levi Edwards

CIRCULAR LETTER

Dear Brethern:—

This being our 54th Annual Session of Union Primitive Baptist Association held with the Church at Mt. Zion Grove, commencing on Friday before the first Sunday in October, 1927.

Brethern we are glad indeed that our Heavenly Father has permitted us to meet in another annual session around one common mercy seat, to mingle our voices together in praise to him who doeth all things well. We are glad that He still enables us to acknowledge His goodness toward us. Glad that he has joined us together from ocean to ocean and has let us see the glorious light of Zion spread far and wide. Although feeling at times that we have a hope, which is the anchor of our souls both sure and steadfast.

Finally, dear brethern, let us stand together as men of war, endure affliction, bear one anothers burdens and pray for each other that the Lord may cause us to thrive and grow, and that He will bend our will His way until traveling days are done.

Elder S. E. Hemby.

CORRESPONDING LETTER

To all the Primitive Baptist Associations with whom we correspond.

Dear Sisters:—

This being our 54th annual session of the Union Primitive Baptist Association. We take this method in expressing our heartfelts thanks to the God who rules both times and seasons, for Uniting us together in brotherly love, since meeting in an Annual session many of our number have crossed over Jordan, and of us that

have been spared our journey has been perilous. Sometimes in sorrow, sometimes in joy, sometimes in sickness, sometimes in health, sometimes in hope, sometimes almost in despair, sometimes through doubts and fears, but always remembering that all things work together for good to them that love the Lord. Brethern remember us in your prayers and we pray that the Chief Shepherd will cause our correspondence to continue till time shall be no more.

Elder S. E. Hemby.

CONTRIBUTION OF EACH CHURCH AND HER DELEGATES

Harper Chapel, Bill Williams, Jessie Taylor, Famville, N. C. $23.00
Tyson Creek, Lamm Tyson, Amos Bryant, Winterville, N. C. 21.00
Oaky Grove, John Simms, Wilson, N. C. $10.00
Mt. Zion Grove, Amos Bryant, Winterville, N. C. $13.50
Low Level, James Artis, Fountain, N. C. $7.00
Cobbs Chapel, Oscar Wooten, Marcellus Moore $7.50
Friendship, W. M. Finch, Bennie Bynums, Lucama, N. C. $29.00
Seven Holly, Golden Barnes, Farmville, N. C. $20.50
Union Grove, John Simms, Wilson, N. C. $19.00
Healthy Plains, Leaston Pitt, Wilson, N. C. $9.00
Fountain Hill, Henry Wooten, Fountain, N. C. $6.50
Gays Chapel, John Ellis, Farmville, N. C. $8.00
Jeruselam Grove, Leaston Pitt, Wilson, N. C. $6.50
Jerico Chapel, Golden Barnes, Battleboro, N. C. $2.00
Found in the hands of Treasurer $24.25

RULES OF DECORUM

1. No member shall be received from a sister church without a letter of dismission.

2. If a member be given to raising confusion in the church, whether minister or member, the church must at once take steps to exclude such member.

3. No member shall be allowed to visit ball rooms or parties; and if they do they will be in the hands of the church and will be excluded from the church.

4. Members who will not obey our rules which are simple and easy will not be held.

5. When a member has been excluded for violating the rules of the church, comes back and makes confession before the church,

it is the duty of the church to receive the member. **And if there** are any through malice, not willing to receive the member, they shall be in the hands of the church.

6. Each church shall fast three times each year.

7. No ordained church of the same faith shall be nearer than seven miles.

8. Any member who calls for their name and keeps it in his or her pocket over three months is considered out of the church.

9. Any member failing to attend three succeeding quarterly meetings without sickness shall be in the hands of the church.

10. All Elders and Ministers of this Association shall hereafter return their credentials and license to the Association at its annual meeting, that they may be in possession of the Association in case it has anything against such Elder or Minister.

11. All churches of this Association shall have ordained Deacons if they possibly can.

12. Every church of this Association shall have power to hold an election once a year and elect or re-elect their pastor.

13. No licensed minister shall be ordained in this Association without first building up a church and receiving two or three members, or except some church called for him for their pastor, then he must preach a trial sermon before three or more Elders, then he shall be fit for ordination.

14. Any church belonging to the Union Association if cut off or dropped by an act of this body or a Union meeting, no brother or brothers shall take it up, neither any Association whom we correspond with. Such church shall be received only by petitionary letters to the Union.

15. We especially prohibit any member belonging to the Union Association to join any secret organization. If any member joins such society they shall not be held by any church belonging to the Union Association. If any church knowingly holds such member or members, it shall be dropped by the Association.

ELDER JOHN JOHNSON, Moderator
BRO. DAVID BYNUM, Clerk.

We believe in one true and living God, the Father, the Word and the Holy Ghost.

We believe that the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments are words of God and the only rule of faith and practice.

We believe in one Superior Eternal God the creator and upholder of all beings and the disposer of all events for there are three that bear record in heaven; the Father, the Word and the Holy Ghost and these three are one. 1 John 1:5.

We believe in the total depravity and just condemnation of all the fallen race of Adam.

We believe in original sin and that the punishment of the wicked shall be everlasting and the joys of the righteous eternal. We believe that God's elect shall be called, converted, regenerated, santified by the Holy Ghost.

We believe that the saints shall always preserve in grace and never finally fall away.

We believe that baptism, the Lord's Supper and the washing of the saints' feet are ordinances of Jesus Christ and that true believers in Jesus Christ are the only subjects entitled to these privileges.

We believe the mode of baptism is by immersing in water.

We believe that God chose his people in Christ Jesus before the world began.

We believe that no minister has a right to the administration of ordinances only such as are regularly baptized, called and come under the imposition of the hands presbyter.

We believe that none but regular baptized members have the right to commune at the Lord's Table.

STATISTICAL TABLE

CHURCHES	Pastors	DELEGATES	Baptized	Rec. by Letter	Rec. on Con. Faith	Excluded	Restored	Deceased	No. in Fellowship	Contributions
Harpers Chapel	John Johnson	Bill Williams, Jessie Taylor	0	0	0	0	0	3	38	$23.00
Tyson Creek	John Johnson	Lamm Tyson, Amos Bryant	1	0	0	0	0	0	31	21.00
Oaky Grove	Jerman Barnes	John Simms	1	0	2	0	2	2	17	10.00
Mt. Zion Grove	Cannon Mills	Amos Bryant	0	0	0	3	0	1	20	13.50
Low Level	Robert Edwards	James Artis	1	0	0	2	0	0	13	7.00
Cobbs Chapel	John Johnson	Oscar Wooten	0	0	0	0	0	0	11	7.50
Friendship	John Johnson	W. M. Finch, Bennie Bynum	0	0	1	1	0	1	47	29.00
Seven Holly	Simon Hemby	Golden Barnes	0	0	0	0	0	2	33	20.50
Gay's Chapel	John Johnson	John Ellis	6	1	0	1	1	0	11	8.00
Union Grove	Jerman Barnes	John Simms	1	0	0	2	0	0	31	19.00
Healthy Plain	Simon Hemby	Leaston Pitt	1	0	2	0	0	0	13	9.00
Fountain Hill	Adam Edwards	Henry Wooten	1	0	1	0	0	0	9	6.50
Jeruselam Grove	Fate Melton	Leaston Pitt	1	0	0	0	0	1	10	6.50
Jerico Chapel	Simon Hemby	Golden Barnes	0	0	0	0	0	1	3	2.00

PROCEEDINGS

— Of The —

58th. Annual Session

— OF THE —

Union Primitive Baptist Associaton

—— HELD WITH THE ——

Church of Fountain Hill

Pitt County, N. C.

Friday, Saturday, Sunday, October 2, 3 and 4, 1931

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PROCEEDINGS

FRIDAY MORNING SESSION

Service began with praise and prayer. The Moderator read for his morning lesson 18th. chapter of St. John and sang hymn No. 90. lined by Elder Fate Melton. Prayer was offered to the Almighty God by Elder Melton. The service was pronounced open. Elder S. E. Hemby then proceeded to preach the Introductory Sermon and sang hymn No. 90. Text 18th. chapter and 1st. verse of St. John. Elder Fate Melton then proceeded to the stand to preach the alternate sermon and sang hymn No. 396 Text from the 3rd. chapter and 3rd. verse of 1st. Peter. The Moderator called Elder James Hines and bore witness with the fore leading Brethren and sang hymn No. 141 and closed for recess for one hour. Benediction by Elder James Hines.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

After having recess for one hour, the delegates met pursuant to adjournment and sang hymn No. 527. Prayer was offered to the Almighty God by Elder James Hines. The delegates retired to decide on choosing a Moderator, Clerk and other officers of the Association. They chose for Moderator and Clerk Elder Simon Hemby, Moderator; Bro. David Bynum, Clerk; Elder Fate Melton, Assistant Moderator; Bro. Benjamin Bynum, Assistant Clerk; Bro. William Finch Treasurer; Bro. Bill Williams, Reporter of Text.

Motion and seconded that there be a scripture lesson read. The Moderator read for scripture lesson 125th. chapter of the Psalms of David.

Motion and seconded that we choose a Committee on Arrangement of Preaching. They chose Elders Isaac Williams, Robert Edwards and James Hines.

Motion and seconded that we choose a Finance Committee. Bros. Benjamin Bynum, O. S. Wooten, and Lamm Tyson were chosen.

Motion and seconded that visiting Brethren be invited to take seats with us and feel themselves at home and take a part in Conference.

Motion and seconded that Arrangement Committee on Preaching make their report. Bro. Bill Williams to open. They agreed to send Bro. Willie Dixon and Elder A. Edwards.

FRIDAY NIGHT SESSION

Motion and seconded that the delegates names be called and enrolled, R Harpers Chapel, Jesse Taylor; Tyson Creek, Lamm Tyson, Frank Vines; Oaky Grove, John Simm; Mt. Zion Grove, Lamm Tyson, Low Level, James Artis; Cobbs Chapel, N. Wooten; Friendship, W. M. Finch, Benjamin Bynum; Seven Holly, Golden Barnes; Gay's Chapel, John Simms; Union Grove, John Simms; Healthy Plain, James Newsom: Fountain Hill, Henry Wooten; Jerusalem Grove. Eddie Ricks; Jerico Chapel, Isaac Edwards; Williams Chapel, Jack May.

Corresponding Messengers—Loving Association, Elder John Dillahunt; Little River, Bro. John Everett; Corresponding Association, Elder Arthur Cherry; Radicue, Elder H. M. Smith with a file of minutes; Contentnea Association, Elder W. M. K. Taylor, All the Corresponding Messengers Brethren reported the different Sister Associations in peace and love and desiring to keep up a friendly correspondence with one another. They were received by the Moderator extending the right hand of fellowship to the Messengers.

Motion and seconded that reports from the Messengers be received.

Motion and seconded that all ministers present their license to the Clerk of his Association.

Motion and seconded that the Moderator and Clerk have one thousand Minutes printed.

Motion and seconded that Petitionary letters be called for if there by any.

The arrangement Committee made their report. Friday night services they reported to preach for the people Elders W. M. K. Taylor, Andrew Reed and John W. Dillihunt.

Motion and seconded that Conference adjourn until Saturday morning at 9:00 Sang for closing hymn No, 514. Benediction by the Moderator.

SATURDAY MORNING SESSION

Service opened at 9:00 o'clock. The delegates met in conference which composed the Association and began the services with praise and prayer to Almighty God by singing hymn No, 201, Prayer by Bro. Charlie Green after which the Moderator made a few brief remarks in behalf of the Association

and then announced the Conference in order for business.

Motion and seconded that the Moderator read morning session and continue by reading 23rd. chapter of St. Matthew. Namely—"Christ points out the hypocrisy of the Pharisees."

Motion and seconded that a list of delegates names be called and absence noted.

Motion and seconded that visiting brethren be invited to seat with us and accept a part in Conference and feel themselves welcome.

Motion and seconded that Arrangement Committee on preaching make their report. They sent to the stand to preach —Bro. Walter Brooks, who opened the service and sang hymn No. 3. Bro. Nan Haskins followed him and sang hymn No. 28 and preached from 1st chapter of St. John. Elder H M. Smith came forth and sang hymn No. 83 and preached from 7th. chapter of St. Matthew.

Motion and seconded that we choose a Corresponding Committee. It was agreed by the Conference that Elders Fate Melton, John W. Dillihunt, W. M. K. Taylor and Bro. John Everett be committee.

Motion and seconded that we choose messengers to visit Corresponding Associations. To the Corresponding Association 1931, Elder Isaac Williams, To the Little River Association 1931, Elder Robert Edwards. To the Contentnea Associatian 1931. Elder Fate Melton. To the Loving Association 1931, Elder C. Reid. To the Radicue Association 1932, Elder Adam Edwards.

Motion and seconded the several delegates retire and decide where the next Association shall convene. They all decided and agreed that the next Association will be held with the Cobb Chapel Church, 1932, nine miles North of Fountain.

Motion and seconded that Elder Reid preach the introductory sermon and Elder Isaac Williams the alternate sermon.

Motion and seconded that Friday's minutes be read and approved.

Motion and seconded that Articles of Faith and Abstracts of Principles, names of Ministers, Deacons, Clerks and their Post Office and time of their quarterly meetings be printed in these Minutes.

Motion and seconded that Conference adjourn by singing hymn No. 440. Benediction by Elder Taylor.

Elder Simon Hemby, Moderator
Bro. David Bynum, Clerk

SATURDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

The delegates met pursuant to adjournment and assembled themselves in Conference. Service began with praise and prayer. Sang hymn No. 492. Prayer by Bro. Willie Dixon.

Motion and seconded that a list of names be called and absents noted.

Motion and seconded that visiting brethren be invited to seat with us and accept a part in Conference and feel themselves welcome.

Motion and seconded that Arrangement Committee on preaching make their report. They sent to the stand to preach for the people Bro. Lewis Edwards to open services by singing hymn No. 3, and Bro. Gethro Dixon to follow. He sang hymn No. 35 and preached from 8th. chapter of Rome. Elder Andrew Reid sang hymn No. 364 and preached from 2nd. chapter and 2nd verse of Matthew. Elder Isaac Williams sang hymn No. 38 and preached from 8th. chapter of Acts. Elder Arthur Cherry sang hymn No. 45 and preached from 7th. chapter of St. Matthew.

Motion and seconded that the morning session be read with necessary correction and adopted.

Motion and seconded that the delegates from the several churches make their report.

Harper's Chapel in peace	contributed	$19.50
Tyson Creek in peace	"	2.25
Oaky Grove in peace	"	9.00
Mt. Zion Grove in peace	"	4.20
Low Level in peace	"	4.00
Cobb's Chapel in peace	"	4.50
Friendship in peace	"	35.25
Seven Holly in peace	"	15.05
Gay's Chapel in peace	"	8.00
Healthy Plain in peace	"	7.50
Fountain Hill in peace	"	4 50
Jerusaleum Grove in peace	"	4 50
Jerico Chapel in peace	"	2.50
William's Chapel in peace	"	11.00

Motion and seconded that we take up unfinished business if there be any. (Not any)

Motion and seconded that the Moderator and Clerk prepare the circular and corresponding letters.

Motion and seconded old Treasurer make her report. Reported nothing in Treasury.

Motion and seconded that report of Treasurer be received.

Motion and seconded that Finance Committee pay off Association expenses.

Motion and seconded that the Ministers License be returned to them.

Motion and seconded that Conference adjourn until 1932 by singing hymn 506. Subject of praise to God at parting—

"Once More before We Part,
We'll bless the Saviour's name;
Record His mercies in our heart,
Sing every tongue the same.
I heard of the sacred word,
And fed thereon and grew:
Go on to seek, to know the Lord,
And practice what you know."

Benediction by Arthur Cherry.

FRIDAY NIGHT SESSION

Service began with praise and prayer to the Almighty God of Heaven. Sang hymn No. 227, lined by Elder James Hines. Prayer by Bro. Charlie Green and proceed to worship. The Moderator called on Bro. Charlie Dixon to go to the stand to preach. Bro Dixon continued the service by singing hymn No. 3 and taken for his text 14th. chapter and 1st, verse of the Revelations. Elder John W. Dillahunt sang hymu No. 47, and taken for his text 3rd. chapter and 7th verse of St. John. Words—"Ye must be Borned Again" Elder W. M. K. Taylor (singing omitted) preached from 7th. chapter and 1st. verse of Rome, after which Fate Melton came forward to close the services and sang hymn No. 216 and closed, Benediction by Elder Dillahunt.

SATURDAY NIGHT SESSION

The service began with praise and prayer to the Almighty God of Heaven. Sang hymn No. 31. Prayer by Elder Fate Melton. The Assistant Moderator called Bro. Dixon to the stand to preach. He sang hymn No. 533 and took for his text 7th. chapter and 1st. verse of St. Matthew. Elder James Hines sang hymn No 468 and taken for his text 1st. chapter of Genesis. Words---"In the Beginning God Created the Heavens and Earth", etc. Next came forth was Elder Robert Edwards and sang hymn No. 401. His text was 11th.

chapter and 1st. verse of Exodus. Elder Hemby, the Moderator came forth and sang hymn No. 25. His text was from 2nd. chapter of St. Matthew. Words—"Where is He Born, King of Jews", etc. Elder Fate Melton came forth to close the service and sang hymn No. 613. Benediction by the Moderator

LIST OF ORDAINED ELDERS

Elder John Johnson
" S. E. Hemby, Mod.
" F. Melton, Asst. Mod.
" Robert Edwards
Elder Cannon Mills
" Jerry Williams
" Adam Edwards
" Isaac Williams
Elder Andrew Reid

LIST OF LICENSED PREACHERS

Brother Walter Brooks
" David Bynum, Clerk
" Nan Haskin
Elder James Nowel
" Levi Edwards
" Jethro Dixon

SUNDAY MORNING SERVICE

The motion was carried that we hear a morning lesson. The Moderator read the 37th. Psalm of David—"Fret not Because of Evil Doers", etc. The service began with praise and prayer to the Almighty God of Heaven. Sang hymn No. 533. Prayer by Elder Taylor.

Motion and seconded that Saturday afternoon session be read and approved.

Motion and seconded that visiting brethren be invited to seat with us and feel themselves welcome and take part in Conference.

Motion and seconded that Saturday night session be received.

Motion and seconded delegates names be called and absences noted.

Motion and seconded that Committee on Preaching make their report They made their report to the stand to preach Sunday morning the following ministers; Bro. David Bynum, Elders John W. Dillihunt, H. M. Smith, W. M. K. Taylor and Arthur Cherry. Half hour to each.

SUNDAY MORNING SERVICES AT THE STAND

The service began with praise and prayer to the Al-

mighty God of Heaven. Elder Fate Melton opened the service by singing hymn No. 216 and offered prayer, he added a few brief remarks about scripture and called Bro. Bynum to preach. He came forth and sang hymn No. 298, and taken for his text 2nd. chapter of St. Matthew. Words---Where is He Born, King of Jews'", etc. Elder John W. Dillahunt sang hymn No. 688 and preached from 8th. chapter and 1st verse of 2nd. Kings. Elder H. M. Smith sang hymn No. 83 and preached from same text of Elder Dillahunt. Elder Taylor proceeded to the stand and sang hymn No. 395. His text was from the 7th. chapter of St. Matthew. Elder Arthur Cherry sang hymn No. 364 and preachee from 2nd. chapter of Matthew. Half hour each.

CIRCULAR LETTER

Dear Brethren:

This being our 58th. annual session of the Union Primitive Baptist Association, held with the church of Fountain Hill, Pitt County, N. C., beginning on Friday before the 1st. Sunday in October, 1931.

Brethren we are very glad indeed that our Heavenly Father has permitted us to meet in another Annual Conference around one common mercy seat to mingle our voices together in praise and prayer to the Almighiy God in Heaven who has called us out of darkness into the light of Zion, that we are found in time and not in eternity, and still trying to keep the unity of the spirit in the bounds of peace. glad thai among our correspondence the North have given them up and the South has kept them not back, but his sons have come from afar and his daughters from the end of the earih. Although feeling at times almost forsaken, we have a hope which is the anchor of our soul, both sure and steadfast.

Finally Dear Brethren, let us stand together as men of war, endure affliction, bear one anothers burdens and pray for each other that the Good Lord may cause us to grow and that we will bend our will His way until traveling days are over.

Elder S. E. Hemby

CORRESPONDING LETTER

To all the Primitive Baptist Associations to Whom we Correspond:

Dear Sister Associations: This being our 58th Annual Session of the Union Primitive Baptist Association, we take this

method of expressing our heart felt thanks to God who rules both heaven and earth, both time and season. Forgiving as this friendly correspondence and mutual love. Since meeting together in our Annual Session, many of our friends have gone to their long eternal home and to us that have been spared, our journey has been perilled.

So Dear Brethren, let us try to keep our hearts engaged in the wonderful works of the Lord and on the shortness of time and the length of eternity, knowing that the time that knows us now will sonn know us no more. Brethren remember us in your prayers and we pray that the Chief Shepard will cause our correspondence to continue till traveling days are done.

Elder S E. Hemby

LIST OF ELDERS, THEIR POST OFFICE, CHURCH AND TIME OF QUARTERLY MEETINGS

Harpers Chapel, Adam Edwards, Fountain, 3rd. Saturday in February,

Tyson Creek, Elder S. E. Hemby. Fountain. 4th. Sunday in February.

Low Level in charge of Moderator. 2nd. Sunday in January.

Mt. Zion Grove, Elder Cannon Mill, Winterville. 3rd. Saturday in January,

Oaky Grove, Elder Fate Melton, Wilson. 4th. Sunday March.

Friendship, Elder Fate Melton. 3rd Sunday in Jan.

Cobb's Chapel, Elder Andrew Reid, Farmville. 3rd. Sundny in March.

Gay's Chapel, Elder Robert Edwards. 1st. Sunday in May.

Union Grove, Elder Fate Melton. 2nd Sunday in Feb.

Healthy Plain, Elder S. E Hemby. 3rd Sunday in June

Fountain Hill, Elder Adam Edwards. 4th Sunday in January.

Jerusalem Grove, Elder Fate Melton. 1st. Sunday in June.

Jerico Chapel (Stoney Creek) Elder S. E. Hemby. 2nd. Sunday in December,

Williams Chapel, Elder Andrew Reid. 2nd Sunday in March.

CLERKS AND THEIR POST OFFICE

Harper's Chapel, William Faision ..... Farmville
Tyson Creek, Lucy Daniel, ... Farmvile
Rosa Edwards ..... Fountain
Union Grove, David Bynum .....
Oaky Grove, B. Parker .....
Jerusaleum Grove, Minnie Barnes ..... Stantonsburg
Mt. Zion Grove, Celia Wilson .....
Low Level, Heber Parker ..... Fountain
Cobb's Chapel, Lula Sherod ..... Fountain
Friendship, George Dew ..... Black Creek
Seven Holly, Paul Norvel, Annie Parker ..... Fountain
Gay's Chapel, Noah Moore ..... Fountain
Healthy Plain, Margaret Willoughby .. R. 6 Greenville
Fountain Hill, Mollie Wooten ..... Fountain
Jerico Chapel, Vivian Moore ..... Fountain
William's Chapel, Lena Joyner ..... Farmville

Bro. David Bynum, Association Clerk, Lucama, N. C.
Route 1, Box 42

DELEGATES AND CONTRIBUTIONS OF EACH CHURCH

Harper's Chapel, Jesse Taylor	$19.50
Tyson Creek, Lamm Tyson, Frank Vines	12.25
Oaky Grove, John Sims	9.00
Mt. Zion Grove, Lamm Tyson	4.20
Low Level, James Artis	4.00
Cobb's Chapel, O. S. Wooten	4.50
Friendship, W. M Finch, Benjamin Bynum	35.25
Seven Holly, Golden Barnes	15.05
Gay's Chapel, John Sims	6.00
Union Grove, John Sims	19.50
Healthy Plain, Jim Newsom	7.50
Fountain Hill, Henry Wooten	4.50
Jerusalem Grove, Eddie Ricks	4.50
Jerico Chapel (Stoney Creek, Va.) Earl May ..	2.50
William's Chapel, Jack May, Will Williams	11 00
Total	$157.05

Elder S. E. Hemby, Moderator
Bro. David Bynum, Clerk

ARTICLES OF FAITH

We believe in one true and living God, and that there are three persons in the God Head, Father, Son and Holy Ghost.

We believe that the scriptures of the Old and New Testament are words of God and the only rules of faith and practice.

We believe in the doctrine of man's impotency to recover himself from the fallen state he is in by nature of his own free will and ability.

We believe that sinners are justified in the sight of God only by imputed rightness of Christ.

We believe in the doctrine of eternal and particular election.

We believe that God's elect shall be called, converted and sanctified by the Holy Ghost.

We believe that Saints shall preserve in grace and never finally fall.

We believe that baptism, the Lord's Supper and washing of the Saint's feet are ordinances, and the true mode of baptism is by immersion.

We believe in the resurrection of the dead and a general.

We believe that the punishment of the wicked will be everlasting and the joys of the righteous shall be eternal.

We believe that no minister has the right to administer the ordinance of baptism and the Lord's Supper except such as are regularly ordained presbyter.

ELDER S. E. HEMBY, Moderator
" FATE MELTON, Asst, Moderator
BRO. DAVID BYNUM, Clerk
" BENJAMIN BYNUM, Asst. Clerk
" WILLIAM FINCH, Treasurer

RULES OF DECORUM

1. No member shall be received from a sister church without a letter of dismission.

2. If a member begins to raise confusion in the church, whether minister or member, the church must take steps at once to exclude such member.

3. Members shall not be allowed to visit ball rooms or parties. And if they do thev will be in the hands of the church and will be excluded from the church.

4. Members who will not obey our rules, which are simple and easy, will not be held.

5. When a member has been excluded for violating Rules of the Church, comes back and makes confession before the church, it is the duty of the church to receive the member. And if there be any through malice not willing to receive the member, they shall be in the hands of the church.

6. Each church shall fast three times each year.

7. No Ordained Church of the same faith shall be closer than seven miles.

8 Any member who calls for their name and keeps it in their pocket over three months, is considered out of the church.

9. Any member failing to attend three quarterly meetings without sickness, shall be in the hands of the church.

10. All Elders and Ministers of the Association shall hereafter return their Credentials and License to this Association at its Annual Meeting that they may be in possession of the Association in case it has anything against such Elder or Minister.

11. All churches of this Association shall have Ordained Deacons if they possibly can.

12. No Licensed Minister shall be ordained in this Association without first building up a church and receiving two or three members, or except same church call for him for their pastor. Then he must preach a trial sermon before three or more Elders, then he shall be fit for Ordination.

13. Any church belonging to the Union Association if cut off or dropped by any act of this body at a Union Meeting, no brother or brothers shall take it up, neither any Association whom we correspond, such church shall be received only be petitionary letter to the Union.

14. We especially prohibit any member belonging to this Association to join any secret organization. If any member joins such societies they shall not be held by any church belonging to the Union Association. If any church knowingly holds such member or members, it shall be dropped by the Association.

ELDER S. E. HEMBY, Moderator
BRO, DAVID BYNUM, Clerk

STATISTICAL TABLE

CHURCHES	PASTORS	DELEGATES	Baptised	Rec. by Letter	Rec. Con. Faith	Dismissed	Restored	Deceased	Membership	Contribution
Harpers Chapel	Adam Edwards	Jesse Taylor	0	0	0	1	1	0	35	$19.50
Tyson Creek	S. E. Hemby	Lamm Tyson, F Vines	3	0	1	0	0	0	31	12.50
Oaky Grove	Fate Melton	John Simms	3	0	0	1	0	3	15	9 00
Mt. Zion Grove	Cannon Mills	Lamm Tyson	0	0	0	4	0	2	12	4 20
Low Level		James Artis	0	0	1	1	0	2	10	4.00
Cobb's Chapel	Andrew Reid	O. S. Wooten	0	0	0	1	0	0	8	4.50
Friendship	Fate Melton	W. Finch, B. Bynum	2	0	0	1	0	3	60	35.25
Seven Holly	Simon Hemby	G. Barnes	6	0	0	0	0	1	41	15,00
Gay's Chapel	Robert Edwards	John Sims	2	0	0	1	0	0	9	6.00
Union Grove	Fate Melton	John Sims	2	0	0	0	0	0	32	17.00
Healthy Plain	Simon Hemby	James Newsom	1	0	0	0	1	1	11	7.50
Fountain Hill	Adam Edwards	Henry Wooten	0	0	0	2	0	0	9	6.00
Jerusalem Grove	Fate Melton	Eddie Rich	0	0	0	0	0	0	9	4.50
Jerico Chapel	Simon Hemby	Earl May	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	2.50
Williams Chapel	Andrew Reid	Jack May	9	0	0	0	0	0	18	11.00

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EIGHTY-SECOND ANNUAL SESSION

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Primitive Baptist Association

— Held With —

THE CHURCH AT MT. GALLILEE

In Wilson County, North Carolina,

October 3, 4, and 5,

1952

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Proceedings

Of the Eighty-Second Annual Session of the Union Primitive Baptist Association, convened with the Church of Mt. Gallilee.
FRIDAY MORNING, October 3, 1952.

The Union Primitive Baptist Association met on the above date with the Church of Mt. Gallilee in Wilson County, N. C., 12 miles west of Wilson. The service was opened by praise and prayer. Sang hymn 383, lined by Deacon Campbell. Prayer was offered by Deacon Fred Dildy. The Moderator read the scriptural lesson, Matt. 20:15.

According to the Committees in 1951, the Moderator called Elder Jethro Dickerson to preach the Introductory Sermon. He sang hymn 490, text Matt. 24. The Moderator called Elder Levi Edwards to preach the alternate sermon. He bore witness with the foregoing Elder. The Moderator called Elder J. R. Dancy from the Bethlehem Association. He preached from the life of Paul. The Moderator sang hymn 119 for closing. Benediction by Elder A. J. Munlin from the Mt. Pleasant Association.

FRIDAY EVENING SESSION.

After recess for one hour, the delegates met with the Moderator present. Conference called to order by singing hymn 533. Prayer offered by the assistant Moderator, Elder Uriah Parker. The conference was opened for business.

Moved and seconded the delegates all retire and chose a Moderator and Clerk, and other officers. Elder David Bynum was chosen Moderator, Brother John H. Cooper, Clerk; Elder Uriah Parker, assistant Moderator; Deacon Benjamin Bynum, assistant Clerk; Elder Ben N. Sharp to report the texts. Deacon Eddie Ricks Association Treasurer. Committee on Preaching: Elder David Bynum, Elder Fate Melton, Elder Warren Melton.

Moved and seconded the Finance Committee be, Deacon Ben Bynum, Deacon Arthur Council, Deacon Henry Campbell.

Moved and seconded the visiting brethren be invited to sit with us and take a part in our conference, and feel welcome.

Moved and seconded the names of the churches be called, and delegates names enrolled. All present. (See Statistical Table).

Move and second that the preaching Committee make their report. They send to the stand to open, Eld. Earl May, Brother Frank Gear, to follow him, followed by Elder Timothy Seaberry and Eld. S. L. Woodard from the Contentnea Association

Move and second that the corresponding delegates' names be enrolled, and that they make their report:

Cooper Grove Association: Elder Paul Alston with file of Minutes, reported peace. Their next sitting to convene with Pilgrim Rest Church in Burlington, N. C., on the third Saturday, Sunday and Monday in August, 1953.

Bethlehem Association: Elder J. R. Dancy reported peace, with a file of Minutes. Their next sitting with the church of Little Rock Valley in Rocky Mount, N. C., second Friday, Saturday and Sunday in October, 1952.

Contentnea Association: Elder Lawrence Reid reported peace with file of Minutes. Their next sitting will be in Fremont, N. C., on the fourth Friday, Saturday and Sunday in October, 1952.

Piedmont Association: Elder L. H. Claytor with file of Minutes, and peace. Their next sitting will be at Five Forks in 1953

Chestnut Knob: Elder B. T. Hairston reported peace, and a file of Minutes. Their next Association will be with the church at Rock Run on the second Friday, Saturday and Sunday in August, 1953.

Sandy Ridge: Elder Andrew Taylor reported with a file of Minutes. Their next sitting will be at the Little Richmond Church, Friday before the third Saturday in October, 1952.

Loving Association: Brother Golden Pollock reported in peace with file of Minutes. Their next sitting will be at the Foy's Chapel Friday before the fourth Saturday in September 1953.

Corresponding Association: Elder B. B. Exum reported in peace. Their next sitting will be with the St. Paul Church, Friday before the second Saturday in October, 1952.

Radicue Association: Elder Westley reported in peace with

a file of Minutes.

Long Branch: Elder James Dickens reported in peace with a file of Minutes. Their next sitting will be at the Church of St. Paul in Tarboro, N. C., Friday before the third Saturday in October, 1952.

Little River: Elder Lawrence Betha reported in peace with a file of Minutes. Their next sitting will be with the Princeton Church October 10, 11, 12, 1952.

Roanoke Association: Elder J. B. McLaughlin reported in peace with a file of Minutes. Their next sitting will be at Piney Grove Church, west of Danville, Va., about 12 miles on highway 58, to convene Friday before the fourth Saturday in July, 1953.

Moved and seconded the reports from the delegate be received by the Moderator extending the right hand of fellowship to the messengers.

Moved and seconded the corresponding Committees be appointed as follows:

Bethlehem: Elder J. R. Dancy.
Peidmont: Elder Hubert Claytor.
Chestnut Knob: Elder B. T. Hairston.
Loving: Brother Golden Pollock.
Contentnea: Elder Lawrence Reid.
Sandy Ridge: Elder Andrew Taylor.
Cooper Grove: Elder Paul Alston.
Long Branch: Elder James Dildy.
Corresponding: Elder B. B. Exum.
Little River: Elder Lawrance Betha.
Roanoke: Elder J. B. McLaughlin.
Radicue: Elder Westley.

Moved and seconded petitionary letters be called for, if there be any. There were none. Moved and seconded all Elders and licensed ministers return their license to the Association. Move and second that the Moderator and Clerk have 1000 copies of this Minute printed and distributed among the churches and our corresponding Associations. Move and second that the Moderator and Clerk write the Circular Letter and

the Corresponding Letter. Moved and seconded that the license of the Elder and licensed ministers be returned to them.

Moved and seconded that worship begin tomorrow at 10 o'clock. Move and second that conference adjourn until Saturday morning. Sang hymn 631. Benediction by the Moderator.

FRIDAY EVENING AT THE STAND.

Service was opened with hymn 73, and prayer was offered by Elder Earl May. Brother Frank Gear sang hymn 607, and preached. His text was John 14. Elder Timothy Seaberry sang hymn 631, text Isa. 62:10. Elder G. L. Woodard from the Contentnea Association bore witness with the leading Elders. Elder Paul Alston from the Cooper Grove sang hymn No. 5, and preached. Then the Moderator came forth and sang hymn 298, and closed. Benediction by Elder David Bynum. Collection $2.65.

FRIDAY NIGHT SERVICE.

The service began by Deacon Benjamin Bynum singing hymn 400. Prayer offered by Deacon Henry Mitchell. Elder Warren Melton sang hymn 356, text Acts 9:9. Followed by Brother Golden Pollock from Loving Association sang hymn 364, text John 3. Next Elder Paul Alston sang hymn 415, text John 1:2. Elder Andrew from Sandy Ridge sang hymn 530, text Matt. 2. Elder B. T. Hairston from Chestnut Knob, text John 15:16. Elder A. J. Munlin from Georgia, the Mt. Pleasant Association, preached, bearing witness with the four leading Elders. Then the Moderator sang hymn No. 3, and closed. Benediction by Elder Claytor from the Piedmont Association. Colleced $4.26.

SATURDAY MORNING SESSION.

The Association assembled together with the Moderator present. Elder Jethro Dickerson opened by singing hymn 41. Prayer by Elder J. R. Dancy. The Moderaor read the scripture lesson, Mark 1:1-18, and announced the conference ready for business.

Moved and seconded the several delegates' names be called and absentees noted. All present. Move and second that the corresponding delegates be called, and absentees noted. All present but Contentnea. Move and second that our visiting

brethren and sisters be invited to sit with us and feel welcome in our conference. Move and second that the Friday evenings' proceedings be read. Approved and adopted. On motion the Minutes be received. Move and second that the preaching Committee make their report. They send to the stand to open Elder David Bullock, Brother Golden Pollock, to follow him. Elder Hubert Claytor to follow him. Elder B. T. Hairson to follow him, followed by Brother Joe Hugh from the Sandy Ridge Association.

Move and second that the delegates retire and decide among themselves where the next Association is to be held. They decided to send the next Association to the Church of Oxhanox, in October, 1953, starting 2, 3, and 4. Elder David Bullock to preach the Introductory Sermon, and Elder Fate Melton to preach the alternate sermon. It was agreed by the conference the Association will be held at Union Grove Church in Wilson on Singletary St, for convenience. Move and second that we get out messengers to visit our corresponding Associations:

Corresponding, 1952: Brother Frank Gear.
Little River 1952: Elder Timothy Seaberry.
Bethlehem 1952: Elder David Bynum.
Long Branch 1952: Elder Jethro Dickerson.
Sandy Ridge 1952: Elder David Bullock.
Contentnea 1952: Elder Warren Melton.
Radicue 1952: Elder Levi Edwards.
Loving 1953: Elder Uriah Parker.
Chestnut Knob 1953: Elder Fate Melton.
Roanoke 1953: Elder Willie Williams.
Cooper Grove 1953: Brother Jimmie D. Barnes.
Piedmont 1953: Elder David Bynum.

Move and second that we send the Moderator from the Union to the Mt. Pleasant Association to petition for correspondence. It was agreed by the conference. Move and second that petitionary letters be called for. There were none. Moved and seconded, if there is no further business,, conference adjourn until this evening. Sang hymn 613, lined by Elder J. B. McLaughlin from the Roanoke Association, and closed by benediction by the Moderator.

SATURDAY MORNING, AT THE STAND.

Elder David Bullock opened by singing hymn 383, and offered prayed. Elder Claytor from Peidmont Association sang hymn 383 and preached. Then Brother Golden Pollock from Loving Association sang hymn 120, text Luke 7:9. Followed by Brother Joe Hughes from Sandy Ridge and preached his experience of grace. Followed by Elder B. T. Hairston from Chestnut Knob, text John 14:1. Then the Moderator sang hymn 196 and closed for recess. Collection $17.55. Elder Ben Sharp reported. Benediction by Elder J. R. Dancy.

SATURDAY EVENING SESSION.

The delegates all met with the Moderator present. Moved and seconded conference be opened by praise and prayer. Sang hymn 490, lined by Elder Jethro Dickerson. Prayer offered by Elder B. B. Exum. Moved and second scripture lesson be read. The Moderator read Matt. 9:1-12, and pronounced the conference open for business. Move and second that visiting brethren and sisters be invited to sit with us in our conference, and feel welcome. Move and second that the delegates' names be called, and absentees noted. All present. Move and second that our corresponding messengers' names be called, and absentees noted. All present. Move and second that the Arrangement Committee on preaching make their report. They send to the stand to open, Elder Warren Melton, Elder Paul Alston, Elder Lawrence Betha, Elder B. B. Exum, Elder J. R. Dancy, Elder J. M. McLaughlin, Elder A. J. Munlin.

Move and second to read the proceedings of Saturday morning. Read, approved and adopted. Move and second that the Minutes be received with necessary correction. Move and second that the several churches be called, and contributions taken up. (See Statistical Table.) Received from churches $401.05. Public collection $78.33. Total collection $478.38. Move and second that the old Treasurer make his report. None. Move and second that the report of the old Treasurer be received.

Move and second that the Finance Committee make their report. They reported $401.05. Move and second that the Association pay off her expenses which was $455.28, leaving to

go into the treasury, $84.10. Deacon Ricks, the Association Treasurer. On motion, we have church messengers forms printed in back of our Minutes. Move and second that the Association fees for male members be $2.00, and for female, $1.50.

Move and second that every member belonging to the Union Primitive Baptist Association pay $1.50 to every union. Move and second that if a member belonging to the Union Primitive Baptist Association fail to pay his or her dues, he is in the hands of the church. It was agreed by the conference. Move and second that if no other business, conference be adjourned until 1953. Sang hymn 514, lined by the Moderator. Benediction by the Moderator.

ELDER DAVID BYNUM, Moderator,
ELDER URIAH PARKER, Ass't. Mod.,
BROTHE JOHN COOPER, Clerk.
DEACON BEN BYNUM, Ass't. Clerk.

SATURDAY EVENING AT THE STAND.

Elder Warren Melton opened by singing hymn 533, and offered prayer. Elder Paul Alston from Cooper Grove sang hymn 617, text Deut. 27:10. Elder Betha from Little River sang hymn 689, text Matt. 2:2. Followed by Elder B. B. Exum from Corresponding, text Dan. 4. Followed by Elder J. R. Dancy from Bethlehem, text Dan. 10:8. Followed by Elder B. C. McLaughlin from Roanoke Association, who sang hymn 380, text Deut 25:3. Followed by Elder A. J. Munlin, from Georgia, who sang hymn 284 and preached about John on the island of Patmos. Then the Moderator sang for a closing hymn 384. Benediction by Elder Ben Sharp. Collection $5.17. Elder Ben Sharp reporting.

SATURDAY NIGHT SESSION.

Opened service by Deacon Henry Campbell singing hymn 353. Prayer by Deacon Art Newton. The Moderator read the scripture lesson, Titus 2, and called Elder L. H. Claytor from Piedmont Association, who sang hymn 339, text John 15:1. Followed by Elder Paul Alston, who sang hymn 631, text John 11:27. Followed by Booker T. Hairston, text John 1:1. Follow-

ed by Elder J. B. McLaughlin from Roanoke Association, who sang hymn 415, text Psa. 61. Followed by Elder A. J. Munlin from Georgia, text Acts 8. Then the Moderator closed with hymn 626. Collection $10.72. Elder Ben harp reporter.

SUNDAY MORNING.

The delegates met with thee Moderator present. Opened by singing hymn 674, lined by the assistant Moderator, Elder Parker. Prayer by Deacon Henry Campbell. Then the assistant Moderator read a scripture lesson, Psa. 73:1-9.

Move and second the Committee on Arrangement of preaching to send to the stand as follows: To open at the stand, Elder Seaberry, who sang hymn 141, and offered prayer. Followed by Elder A. J. Munlin, who sang hymn 622, text John 9:1. Followed by Elder Andrew Taylor from Sandy Ridge Association, text John 1:1. Followed by Elder Westley from Radicue Association, who sang hymn 153, text, "Watch yourself." Followed by Elder James Dickens from Long Branch Association, who sang hymn 73, text Joel 2. Followed by Elder Betha who sang hymn 689, and preached. Followed by Elder J. R. Dancy from Bethlehem, who sang hymn 288, text John 1:1. Followed by Elder B. B. Exum from Corresponding who preached from Acts. Then the Moderator sang hymn 298 and closed. Collection $37.95. Benediction by the Moderator. Reporter Elder Ben Sharp.

ELDER DAVID BYNUM, Moderator,
ELDER URIAH PARKER, Ass't. Mod.,
BROTHER JOHN H. COOPER, Clerk,
DEACON BEN BYNUM, Ass't. Clerk.

CORRESPONDING LETTER

To Whom it may Concern:

Dear Brethren in Christ: I do thank God for the many blessings that He has bestowed on all of us. We have been wonderfully blessed to meet in another annual association to give thanks and pary to the Almighty God of heaven, trusting our correspondence will continue as long as time shall last.

Let us not forget to pray for one another when we are apart.

Come to see us any time you can. Finally, good-by until

we meet again.

CIRCULAR LETTER

Dear Brethren in Christ: I am glad and thankful to have the privilege of writing this epistle of love. I am glad I can say, like David, "Behold how good and how pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity. It is like precious ointment upon the head that ran down to the skirt of Aaron's garment."

ELDER DAVID BYNUM, Moderator,
ELDER URIAH PARKER, Ass't. Mod.,
BROTHER JOHN H. COOPER, Clerk,
DEACON BEN BYNUM, Ass't. Clerk.

QUARTERLY MEETINGS, AND NAMES OF PASTORS

Harpers Chapel: Warren Melton. 3rd Saturday and Sunday in Feb.
Tyson Creek: Uriah Parker. 4th Saturday and Sunday in February.
Oak Grove: Fate Melton. 4th Saturday and Sunday in March.
Low Level: In hands of the Moderator. 2nd Saturday and Sunday in July.
Friendship: Fate Melton. 3rd Saturday and Sunday in April.
Union Grove: Fate Melton. 2nd Saturday and Sunday in February.
Cobbs Chapel: David Bynum. 3rd Saturday and Sunday in March.
Mt. Zion Grove: Levi Edwards. 3rd Saturday and Sunday in April.
Seven Holly: Uriah Parker. 1st Saturday and Sunday in March.
Healthy Plains: In the hands of the Moderator. 3rd Saturday and Sunday in March.
Fountain Hill: Adams Edwards. 4th Saturday and Sunday in March.
Jerusalem Grove: Fate Melton. 1st Saturday and Sunday in March.
Williams Chapel: Willie Williams. 2nd Saturday and Sunday in Mar.
Mt. Gallilee: Timothy Seaberry. 4th Saturday and Sunday in January.
Jones Hill: In hands of the Moderator. 2nd Saturday and Sunday in March.
Oxhavox: David Bullock. 3rd Saturday and Sunday in February.

NAMES OF ORDAINED ELDERS, AND THEIR ADDRESSES

Elder David Bynum, Rt. 1, Box 330, Lucama, N. C.
Elder Fate Melton, Rt. 1, Box 3, Elm City, N. C.
Elder Adam Edwards, Rt. 1, Fountain, N. C.
Elder Levi Edwards, Rt. 1, Box 7, Fountain, N. C.
Elder Nan Hoskin, R. F. D., Wilson, N. C.
Elder Jethro Dickerson
Elder Warren Melton, 113 South Reid St., Wilson, N. C.
Elder Earl May, Fountain, N. C.
Elder Willie Williams, Rt. 2, Farmville, N. C.
Elder Timothy Seaberry, Wilson, N. C.
Elder Uriah Parker, Rt. 2, Greenville, N. C.
Elder David Bullock, Rt. 3, Wilson, N. C.
Brother Frank Gear, Rt. 2, Stantonsburg, N. C.

LICENSED MINISTERS

Brother Richard Hill, Rt. 3, Wilson, N. C.
Brother Oscar Jones, Walstonsburg, N. C.
Brother Cleo Barnes, Pinetops, N. C.
Brother Ben N. Sharp.
Brother Jimmie D. Barnes, Rt. 1, Fountain, N. C.

NAMES OF DEACONS, AND THEIR ADDRESSES

Deacon Benjamin Bynum, Rt. 2, Lucama, N. C.
Deacon Cecil Spell, Winterville, N. C.
Deacon Tom Moore, R .F. D., Tarboro, N. C.
Deacon John Moore, Rt. 2, Farmville, N. C.
Deacon Art Newton, Rt. 1, Fountain, N. C.
Deacon Henry Campbell, Rt. 3, Box 165, Wilson, N. C.
Deacon Henry Moye, Rt. 4, Box 120, Greenville, N. C.
Deacon Lester Moye, 1203 Factory St., Greenville, N. C.
Deacon George Taylor, Rt. 1, Fountain, N. C.
Deacon Eddie Ricks, 1025 Roberson St., Wilson, N. C.
Deacon Arthur Everette.
Deacon Henry Mitchell, Rt. 4, Box 66C, Wilson, N. C.
Deacon Arthur Council, R F. D., Box 81, Greenville, N. C.
Deacon Fred Dildy, Rt. 2, Macclesfield, N. C.
Deacon Willie Green, Walstonsburg, N. C.

CLERKS AND THEIR ADDRESSES

Harpers Chapel: Sister Margaret Joyner, R. 1, B. 178, Farmville, N. .C
Tyson Creek: Sister Lucie Daniel, Farmville, N. C.
Oak Grove: Sister Bertie Bullock, R. 4, B. 27, Wilson, N. C.
Mt. Zion Grove: Brother Charlie Mill Rt. 1, B. 178A, Grimsland, N. C.
Low Level: Sister Queen E. Moore, Rt. 1, Tarboro, N. C.
Cobbs Chapel: Sister Melissie Dixon, Farmville, N. C.
Friendship: Sister Alberta Ward, Rt. 2, Box 15, Stantonsburg, N. C.
Seven Holly: Sister Fabbie Parker, Rt. 2, Greenville, N. C.
Union Grove: Sister Penina Barnes, 1006 Mercer St, Wilson, N. C.
Healthy Plains: Sister Fabbie Parker, Rt. 2, Greenville, N. C.
Fountain Hill: Sister Martha Morgan, P. O. Fountain, N. C.
Jerusalem Grove: Sister Mary Bynum, Wilson, N. C.
Williams Chapel: Sister Fabbie Parker, Rt. 2, Greenville, N. C.
Mt. Gallilee: Sister Channie Parker, R. F. D. Selma, N. C.
Jones Hill: Sister Elizabeth Coley, E. N. C. Sanatarium, Wilson, N. C.
Oxhavox: Sister Mattie L. Bullock, Rt. 3, Box 146, Wilson, N. C.

OFFICERS' SALARIES

Moderator per day	$4.00	
Assistant Moderator per day	2.00	
Clerk per day	4.00	
Assistant Clerk per day	2.00	
Reporter per day	2.00	
Left in treasury	84.00	
For printing Minutes	60.00	
Left in treasury	24.10	
Collected from the Association		$401.05
Public Collection		78.33
Total		$479.38
Paid out		$455.28

ELDER DAVID DBYNUM, Moderator,
BROTHER JOHN H. COOPER, Clerk.

Finance Committee: Deacon Benjamin Bynum, Deacon Arthur Council, Deacon Henry Campbell.

Building Committee: Deacon Rothwell Lock, Deacon Henry Mitchell, Deacon Eddie Ricks.

OBITURIES

ELDER ADAM EDWARDS

Elder Adam Edwards departed this life October 27, 1952. He was born March 4, 1885, age 67 years. He leaves to mourn, a wife & several children, and a host of relatives and friends. He was the pastor of Fountain Hill Church. He had been preaching for thirty-five years.

Sleep on, Elders Adam, and take your rest. We loved you, but God loved you best.

Written by Elder Levi Edwards, Assistant pastor of Fountain Hill.

ELDER JAMES HINES

Elder James Hines, age seventy-five years, died December 18, 1952. He had been preaching for fifty-five years. He was a loving father, and was loved by everyone. He was a faithful member to his church. He always tried to fill his seat.

Sleep on, Elder Hines and take your rest.

Written by Elder Levi Edwards.

SISTER LIZZIE ANN SUTTON

Sister Lizzie Ann Sutton was a member of Williams Chapel Church. She joined the church of William Chapel the second Sunday in June, 1948, and was baptised the second Sunday in July, 1948. Sister Lizzie was a good and faithful member. She moved her membership to Cobb's

Chapel December, 1950.

When Sister Lizzie came before the church, she stood up and said: "This is not me talking. It is the Spirit." And her life proved it, both in and out of the church. She died contending for the faith. She often called her pastor to preach for her, and the church of Cobb's Chapel with him and others, to preach.

She leaves to mourn, a fine family of children and grandchildren. The church of Cobb's Chapel and a host of friends.

Sister Lizzie Ann Sutton was fifty-stven years old. She is gone, but not forgotten.

Written by her pastor, Elder David Bynum, and her daughter, Mrs. Fannie Edwards.

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9. Any member failing to attend three successive quarterly meetings without sickness, shall be in the hands of the church.

10. All Elders and Ministers of the Association shall hereafter return their credentials and license to the Association at its annual meeting, that they may be in possession of the Association in case it has anything against the Elder or Minister.

11. All churches of this Association shall have ordained deacons if they possibly can.

12. No licensed Minister shall be ordained in this Association without first building up a church and receiving two or three members or except some church called for him for their pastor. Then he must preach a trial sermon before three or more Elders. Then he shall be fit for ordination.

13. Any church belonging to the Union Association, if cut off or dropped by an act of this body or a Union Meeting, no brother or brothers shall take it up neither any Association with whom we correspond. Such church shall be received only by petitionary Letters to the Union.

14. We especially prohibit any member belonging to the Union Association to join any secret organization. If any member joins such society, they shall not be held by any church belonging to the Union Association. If any church knowingly holds such members, it shall be dropped by the Association.

ELDER DAVID BYNUM, Moderator,
BROTHER JOHN H. COOPER, Clerk.

ARTICLES OF FAITH

1. We believe in one true and living God, that there are three persons in the Godhead, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost.
2. We believe that the scriptures of the Old and New Testaments are the words of God, and the only rule of faith and practice.
3. We believe in the doctrine of man's impotency to recover himself from the fallen state he is in by nature, of his own free will or ability.
4. We believe that sinners are justified in the sight of God only by the imputed righteousness of Christ.
5. We believe in the doctrine of eternal, particular election.
6. We believe that God's elect shall be called, converted and sanctified by the Holy Ghost.
7. We believe that the saints shall be preserved in grace and never finally fall.
8. We believe that baptism, the Lord's Supper and washing the saints' feet are ordinances, and the true mode of baptism is immersion.
9. We believe in the resurrection of the dead. We believe that the punishment of the wicked will be everlasting and the joys of the righteous shall be eternal.
10. We believe that no minister has the right to administer the ordinance of baptism and the Lord's Supper except such as are regularly ordained by a presbytery.

ELDER DAVID BYNUM, Moderator,

STATISTICAL TABLE

CHURCHES	PASTORS	MESSENGERS	Sun. of Meeting	Baptized	Rec'd by Letter	Restored	Dis'd by Letter	Excluded	Deceased	Membership	Contribution
Harper's Chapel	Warren Melton	H. Moize, L. Moize	3	..	..	..	..	..	2	13	$20.00
Tyson Creek	Uriah Parker	W. Green, A. N. W. M.	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	37	38.00
Oaky Grove	Fate Melton	Henry Campbell	4	2	1	..	1	..	2	44	50.80
Mt. Zion Grove	Levi Edwards	Arthur Council	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	27	32.50
Cobb's Chapel	David Bynum	G. Taylor, F. D. L. N.	3	3	..	1	..	1	1	25	36.00
Friendship	Fate Melton	Benjamin Bynum	3	..	..	..	3	..	4	54	56.00
Seven Holly	Uriah Parker	J. Moore, A. C. F. D.	1	3	..	1	..	..	..	47	48.75
Union Grove	Fate Melton	Eddie Ricks, Henry M.	2	1	..	3	..	3	2	71	28.00
Healthy Plain	Willie Williams	Tom Moore, John Ellis	3	1	..	..	..	..	..	13	19.00
Low Level	Uriah Parker	Tom Moore, John Ellis	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	7	10.50
Fountain Hill	A. Edwards	Cecil Spell, Tom Moore	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	14	15.00
Jerusalem Grove	Fate Melton	Eddie Ricks, H. Mitchell	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	12	18.00
William's Chapel	Willie Williams	Fred Dildy	2	1	..	..	..	..	..	7	10.50
Mt. Gallilee	Timothy Seaberry	Arthur E., H. Mitchell	4	..	2	..	..	..	..	23	17.00
Jones Hill	Moderator's Hands	Arthur E. B. Bynum	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	6.00
Oxhanox	David Bullock	Henry Campbell	3	..	1	..	..	..	..	9	13.00

BLANK FORM OF LETTER TO ASSOCIATION

..... N. C. ..... County

September ..... 19 .....

We, the members of ..... Primitive

Baptist Church, send Greeting to the .....
Hope you will have a loving Association.

We send to sit with you .....

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We are glad to meet you again in another annual session.
Since our last letter to you, our statistics are as follows:

Received by Baptism ..... Received by Letter .....

Excluded ..... Dismissed by Letter .....

Died ..... Total Membership .....

We send as a donation $ .....

Ordained Ministers ..... Licensed Ministers .....

Done by order of the church October ..... 19 .....

Elder ..... Pastor

Clerk .....

Assistant Clerk .....

All churches are requested to use this blank form in writing to the Association.

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Minutes

OF THE

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Primitive Baptist Association

HELD WITH

Friendship Church

IN WILSON COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA
OCTOBER 3. 4, and 5,

1958

Next session will convene with the church of Jones Hill; will be held in Wilson at Union Grove Church on Singletary St., Friday before the first Sunday in October, 1959.

— OFFICERS —

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Proceedings

OF THE EIGHTY-EIGHTH ANNUAL SESSION OF THE UNION PRIMITIVE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION, CONVENED WITH THE FRIENDSHIP CHURCH IN WILSON COUNTY, N. C., OCT. 3, 1958.

FRIDAY MORNING, October 3, 1958

Service was opened with praise and prayer. Sang hymn 533 lined by the Moderator. Prayer offered by Deacon M. A. Kennedy from Cobbstown, Ga., the Mt. Pleasant Association.

The Moderator then arose and read a scripture lesson from 2 Cor. 24:1-7. According to the Arrangements Committee in 1957, the Moderator called the Assistant Moderator, Elder Uriah Parker to preach the introduction. He arose, sang hymn 76, his text was Matthew 2. Then the Moderator arose and preached the alternate sermon. He arose,sang hymn 689 and bore witness with the leading Elder and preached a wonderful sermon and then called Elder E. J. Bateman from the Mt. Pleasant Association. Sang hymn 695 and preached a great sermon bearing witness with the leading Elders. Then the Moderator called Elder T. E. Claytor from the Piedmont Association to sing a closing hymn. Sang hymn 73 and closed for recess for about one hour. Benediction by Elder Willie Maryland.

ELDER DAVID BYNUM, Moderator
ELDER URIAH PARKER, Ass't. Mod.
BROTHER JOHN H. COOPER, Clerk
DEA. ARTHUR COUNCIL, Ass't Clerk

FRIDAY EVENING SESSION

After recess for about one hour the delegates all met with the Moderator. Moved and second that conference be opened by praise and prayer. Sang hymn 514 lined by Elder Jethro Dickerson. Prayer offered by Elder Uriah Parker. Moved and second, a scripture lesson be read. The Assistant Moderator read Matthew 25:1-11 and then the Moderator pronounced conference open for business.

Moved and second that the delegates all retire and choose a Moderator and Clerk and all other officers. It pleased the

minds of the delegates to choose Elder David Bynum, Moderator for 1959. He chose for his assistant, Elder Uriah Parker. Brother John H. Cooper was chosen for Clerk for 1959. He chose for his assistant Deacon Arthur Council. Elder Ben N. Sharp, text reporter from day to day. Deacon Eddie Ricks, Associational Treasurer. Elder David Bynum, Elder Fate Melton,Elder Willie Williams for Committee on Arrangements of preaching. Deacon R. W. Locks, Deacon Arthur Council, Deacon Johnnie W. Fench, Finance Committee. Deacon Henry Mitchell, Deacon Arthur Council chosen as state deacons they chose for their assistant Deacon R. W. Lock, Deacon Willie Moore. Deacon R. W. Locks, Deacon Arthur Council, Deacon Eddie Ricks, Building Committee.

Moved and second that our visiting brethren be invited to sit with us in our conference and feel themselves welcome. Moved and second that the names of churches be called and delegates names enrolled and those absent noted. All present but one—St. John. (See Statistical Table).

Moved and second that the Arrangement Committee on preaching at the stand make their report. They omitted preaching at the stand due to bad weather.

Moved and second that our corresponding messengers' names be called and those absent noted. All present but five. Copper's Grove, Sandy Ridge, Little River, Roanoke, Long Branch were absent.

Moved and second that the several delegates make there report. Harpers' Chaple in peace by Deacon Willie Green. Tyson Creek in peace by Deacon Willie Moore; Oaky Grove in peace by Deacon John Newton; Mt. Zion Grove in peace by Deacon Charlie H. Mills; Cobbs Chaple in peace by Deacon George Taylor: Friendship in peace by Deacon John W. Fench Seven Holly in peace by Deacon Willie Vine; Union Grove in peace by Deacon Eddie Ricks; Healthy Plain in peace by Deacon Willie Moore; Low Level in peace by Deacon John Ellis, Jr.; Fountain Hill in Peace by Deacon John Ellis Jr.; Jerusalem Grove in peace by Deacon Henry Mitchell; Williams Chapel in peace by Deacon Frank Powell; Mt. Gallilee in peace by Deacon Henry Mitchell; Jones Hill in peace by Dea-

con John W. Fench; Oxhonox in peace by Deacon John Newton; St. John in peace by Deacon Ernest Bullock.

Moved and second that our visiting delegates make their report. Mt. Pleasant in peace by Elder E. J. Bateman with a file of minutes. There next sitting will be in Rightfull, Ga., starting Friday before the fourth Sunday in Oct., 1958

Bethlehem in peace by Elder Elex Jones with a file of minutes. Their next setting will convene at Bethlehem Church starting Friday before the second Sunday in Oct., 1958

Tar River in peace by Elder W. A. Clemon with a file of minutes. Their next setting will be at Shiloh Church in Greenville, N. C., starting Friday before the third Sunday in Oct., 1958.

Radicue in peace by Elder Willie Maryland with a file of minutes.

Cooper's Grove in peace by Elder Cecil Alston, their moderator. Their next setting will be in Efland, N. C., on highway 70, starting the third Saturday in August, 1959.

Piedmont in peace by Elder T. E. Claytor, their Moderator. With a file of minutes. Their next setting convenes at City View, starting Friday before the fourth Sunday in Sept., 1959.

Sandy Ridge in peace by Elder Richard Martin, their Moderator, with a file of minutes. Their next setting will be at Simmons Chaple, starting Friday before the third Sunday in Oct., 1958.

Chesnut Knob in peace by Elder John L. Wade with a file of minutes. Their next setting will be at Rocky Hill, Friday before the second Sunday in August, 1959.

Roanoke, no messenger.

Little River in peace by Elder Lawrence Betha, their Moderator, with a file of minutes. Their next setting will be in Princeton, N. C., starting Friday before the second Sunday in Oct., 1958.

Contentnea in peace by Elder Earl Holt, with a file of minutes. There next setting will be in Sharpsburg, N. C., starting Friday before the fourth Sunday in Oct., 1958.

Long Branch in peace by Elder Joe Dickens with a file of minutes. Their next setting will be at Long Branch in Speed,

N. C., starting Friday before the third Sunday in Oct., 1958.

Corresponding in peace by Elder Isaiah Perkens with a file of minutes. Their next setting will be at St. Matthews, starting Friday before the second Sunday in October, 1958.

Loving in peace by Elder A. H. Humphrey, their Moderator, with a file of minutes. Their next setting will be at Hartsville Chapel starting Friday before the fourth Sunday in September 1959.

Moved and second that the reports from the delegates be received by the Moderator extending the right hand of fellowship to the messengers.

Moved and second that petitionary letters be called for if there be any. Elder John L. Wade from the Mt. Zion Association in W. Va., came forth and petitioned for correspondence in full fellowship with the Union Line Primitive Baptist Association. It was granted by the conference and done this day Oct. 3, 1958. Elder David Bynum, Moderator; Elder Uriah Parker, Assistant Moderator; Brother John H. Cooper, Clerk; Deacon Arthur Council, Assistant Clerk.

Moved and second that all Elders and licentiate ministers return their licenses to the Association. Moved and second that the Moderator and Clerk have a thousand minutes printed and distributed out to the churches and our corresponding Associations.

Moved and seconded the Moderator and Clerk write the Circular Letter and the Corresponding Letter. Moved and seconded the licenses of the Elders and licentiate ministers be returned to them. Moved and seconded worship to begin tomorrow at 10 a. m. Moved and seconded, if no other business conference be adjourned until Saturday morning. Sang hymn 631, lined by Elder Willie Williams. Benediction by Elder E. J. Bateman.

ELDER DAVID BYNUM, Moderator
ELDER URIAH PARKER, Ass't. Mod.
BROTHER JOHN H. COOPER, Clerk
DEA. ARTHUR COUNCIL, Ass't. Clerk

FRIDAY EVENING SESSION AT THE STAND:

Service was omitted on account of the weather being so bad.

SATURDAY MORNING SESSION:

The Association assembled themselves together with the Moderator present, and the service began by singing hymn 18, lined by Elder Ben N. Sharp. Prayer offered by Elder Fred Dildy. Moved and seconded a scripture lesson be read. The Moderator called Elder Warren Melton to read a scripture. He read Isa. 6:11, then the Moderator pronounced conference open for business. Moved and seconded we invite our visiting brethren to sit with us and feel themselves welcome in our conference. Moved and seconded the delegates' names be called, and absentees noted. All present but two, St. John and Williams Chapel. Moved and seconded the visiting delegates' names be called and absentees noted. All present but three, Cooper Grove, Chestnut Knob, and Roanoke. Moved and seconded the Arrangement Committee on Preachings make their report. They sent to the stand the following: Elder Fred Dildy to open, Elder Joe Dickens to follow him, Elder Isaiah Perkins to follow him, Elder Volley Hilton to follow him, Elder Warren Melton to follow him, Elder E. J. Bateman to follow him. Moved and seconded the Friday evening session be read approved and adopted. Moved and seconded the minutes be received with the necessary corrections if there be any. Moved and seconded the several delegates all retire and decide among themselves where the next Association will go, and who will preach the Introductory Sermon, and who will preach the Alternate Sermon. It pleased the minds of the delegates to send the next Association to the Church at Jones Hill, but it will be held at Union Grove in Wilson, N. C., on Singletary St., Elder David Bullock to preach the Introductory Sermon, and Elder Levi Edwards to preach the Alternate Sermon, services to begin Friday before the first Sunday in October, 1959. Moved and seconded we send out messengers to visit our corresponding Associations:

Radicue: Elder Jethro Dickerson, 1959.

Bethlehem: Elder Fate Melton, 1958.

Corresponding: Elder Willie Williams, 1958.
Long Branch: Elder David Bullock, 1958.
Little River: Elder Cleo Barnes, 1958.
Contentnea: Brother Marvin Barnes, 1958.
Loving: Elder Fred Dildy, 1959.
Mt. Pleasant: Elder David Bynum, 1958.
Mt. Zion: Elder David Bynum, 1959.
Sandy Ridge: Elder Warren Melton, 1958.
Roanoke: Brother Oswald Keys, 1959.
Chestnut Knob: Elder David Bynum, 1959.
Peidmont: Brother Tony Parker, 1959.
Cooper's Grove: Elder Richard Hill, 1959.
Tar River: Elder Uriah Parker, 1958.

Moved and seconded petitionary letters be called for, if there be any. The Moderator from the Loving Association, and petition for Elder David Bullock to pastor Foy's Chapel Church for 1959. It was granted by the conference. He also petitioned for Elder Warren Melton to pastor Hartsville Chapel Church for 1959. It was granted by the conference. Elder Willie Williams petitioned for his license, for he had lost his. Moved and seconded if no other business, conference be adjourned until this evening. Sang hymn 506, lined by Elder Fate Melton. Benediction by Elder Fate Melton.

ELDER DAVID BYNUM, Moderator
ELDER URIAH PARKER, Ass't. Mod.
BRO. JOHN H. COOPER, Clerk
DEA. ARTHUR COUNCIL, Ass't Clerk

SATURDAY MORNING AT THE STAND:

Elder Fred Dildy opened service by singing hymn 73, and then offered prayer to Almighty God. Elder Joe Willie Dickens from the Long Branch Association came forth. His text was John 15. Followed by Elder Isaiah Perkins from the Corresponding Association, from Matt. 2:2. Elder Volley Hilton from Sandy Ridge Association, John 14. Elder Warren Melton sang hymn 393, text Nahum 1. Elder E. J. Bateman from the Mt. Pleasant Association sang hymn 30, text Isa. 47. Elder Fate Melton sang hymn 687 and closed. Benediction by Elder Fate Melton. Public collection $25.00. Elder Ben Sharpe.

SATRUDAY EVENING SESSION:

Moved and seconded conference be opened by praise and prayer. Sang hymn 492, lined by Elder T. E. Claytor, Moderator of the Piedmont Association. Prayer offered by Deacon R. W. Locks. Moved and seconded there be a scripture lesson read. The Moderator called Elder Fate Melton to read a scripture lesson. He read Psa. 118:1-11, then the Moderator pronounced conference open for business. Moved and seconded we invite our visiting brethren to sit with us and feel themselves welcome in our conference. Moved and seconded the delegates' names be called and absentees noted. All present. Moved and seconded our visiting delegates' names be called, and absentees noted. All present but one. Roanoke, absent. Moved and seconded Saturday morning session be read, approved, and adopted. Moved and seconded the Minutes be received with necessary corrections if there be any. Moved and seconded Arrangements Committee on Preaching make their report. They sent to the stand of follows: Elder Fred Dildy to open, Brother Tony Parker to follow, Elder Alex Jones to follow, Elder Willie Maryland. Moved and seconded the delegates from the several churches be called and contribution taken up. See Statistical Table. Received from the several churches $502.25, a donation from the Elders and ministers and deacons $31.00. Public collection $90.09, making a total of $623.34.

Moved and seconded the old Treasurer make his report. He reported not any. Moved and seconded the report be received. Moved and seconded the Finance Committee make their report. They reported $533.25. Moved and seconded the reports be received. Moved and seconded the Association pay off her expense which was $416.84, leaving a balance to go to the Association treasury $206.50. Deacon Eddie Ricks Association Treas.

Moved and seconded have a Church Messenger form printed in the back of the Minutes. Moved and seconded the fees for male members be $2.00, female $1.50. Moved and seconded every member belonging to the Union Primitive Baptist Association pay $1.50 every union. Moved and seconded if a member of the Union Primitive Baptist Association fail to pay his

or her dues, they are in the hands of the church. It was agreed by the conference. Moved and seconded of no other business, conference be adjourned until 1959. Closed by singing hymn 506, lined by Deacon R. W. Locks. Benediction by the Moderator.

ELDER DAVID BYNUM, Moderator
ELDER URIAH PARKER, Ass't. Mod.
BRO. JOHN H. COOPER, Clerk
DEA. ARTHUR COUNCIL, Ass't. Clerk
ELDER BEN SHARPE, Reporter

SATURDAY EVENING SESSION AT THE STAND:

Elder Fred Dildy opened service at the stand by singing hymn 3 and offered prayer to Almighty God. Then Brother Tony Parker used as a text Ezek. 37:3. Elder Alex Jones from the Bethlehem Association sang hymn 38, text John 14:2. Elder Willie Maryland from Radicue Association, text John 1. Elder Ben N. Sharpe sang hymn for closing 380. Benediction by Elder Ben N. Sharpe. Collection $10.25. Elder Ben N. Sharpe, text reporter from day to day.

SATURDAY NIGHT SESSION:

Service was opened by the Moderator singing hymn 533. Prayer offered by Elder Ben N. Sharpe. Then the Moderator read a scripture lesson. He read Mark 10, and called Elder Earl Holt from Contentnea Association. He sang hymn 364 and preached a wonderful sermon. Then Elder T. E. Claytor Moderator from Piedmont Association sang hymn 161, text Psa. 89. Elder A. H. Humphrey, Moderator from Loving Association sang hymn 3, text Luke 15.

SUNDAY MORNING SESSION:

The delegates met with the Moderator present. Opened service by singing hymn 533, lined by the Moderator. Prayer offered by Elder Uriah Parker, then the Moderator read a scripture lesson. He read Matt. 2:1-11, and called Brother Tony Parker to preach. His text was Matt. 7. Elder Volley Hilton from the Sandy Ridge Association sang hymn 612 and preached wonderfully. Elder Leslie Blow from the Tar River Association sang hymn 418, text, Luke 15:2. Elder Oscar

Clemmon from the Tar River Association took as his text John 1. Elder Lawrence Bethea Moderator from the Little River Association used as his text John 1. Elder J. L. Wade from Chestnut Knob Association sang hymn 288, text Dan. 3:16. Then Elder T. E. Claytor Moderator from Piedmont Association sang hymn 284, text Matt. 25. Elder Cecil Alston Moderator from the Cooper Grove Association sang hymn 300 text Luke11:22. Elder E. J. Bateman from the Mt. Pleasant Association sang hymn 695, text Nahum 3:2. Elder Richard Martin Moderatror from the Sandy Ridge Association rose and bore witness with the leading Elders and preached a wonderful sermon. Elder Earl Holt from the Contentnea Association sang hymn 689 and preached wonderfully. Elder Willie Maryland from Radicue Association bore witness with the leading Elders. Elder A. H. Humphrey, Moderator from the Loving Association sang hymn 141, text Matt. 25. Then the Moderator sang hymn 689 and closed. Benediction by the Moderator. Collection $37.81.

ELDER DAVID BYNUM, Moderator
ELDER URIAH PARKER, Ass't. Mod.
BRO. JOHN H. COOPER, Clerk
DEA. ARTHUR COUNCIL, Ass't. Clerk
ELDED BEN SHARPE, Reporter

CIRCULAR LETTER

Dear brethren in Christ:—I trust this is a great pleasure to have the privilege of writing you this epistle of love. I am glad to have you in our Association and to have such rich gospel of Jesus Christ preached by all the visiting ministers. We thank God for blessing us with the Holy Spirit in our Association. We thank God for blessing us to meet in peace and love. Come back to see us. May God bless you all. Amen.

CORRESPONDING LETTER

Dear Brethren in Christ:—I am glad and thankful to God who has blessed us to sit together in another Association in brotherly love and peace one with another. I hope this will always continue as long as time shall last. Let us look forward to one eternal and all wise God who has all power, trusting to meet you again from the north, south, east ,and west.

Now may God bless all of you and come to see us.

Done by order of conference.

OFFICERS' SALARY

Moderator	$25.00
Assistant Moderator	12.50
Clerk	25.00
Assistant Clerk	12.50
Text Reporter	10.00

Collected from the Association	$533.25	
From public collections	90.09	$623.34
Paid out for expense	$416.84	
Left in the Treasury for 1959	206.50	$623.34

Deacon Eddie Rick Association Treasurer.

ELDER DAVID BYNUM, Moderator
ELDER URIAH PARKER, Ass't. Mod.
BRO. JOHN H. COOPER, Clerk
DEA. ARTHUR COUNCIL, Ass't. Clerk
ELDER BEN N. SHARPE, Reporter

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Deacon Rothwell Lock, Deacon Arthur Council, Deacon Johnnie Fench.

BUILDING COMMITTEE

Deacon Rothwell Lock, Deacon Arthur Council, Deacon Eddie Ricks.

VISITORS

Elder Volley Hilton, Sandy Ridge Association
Elder S. L. Woodard, ContentneaAssociation
Elder Cutler Sauls, Contentnea Association
Brother Debro Bunch, Contentnea Association

Brother Bennie Bryant Contenenea Association
Deacon Willie Perry, Loving Association
Elder Sledge, Tar River Association
Elder Leslie Blow, Tar River Association
Elder Ruffin Hyman, Bethlehem Association
Deacon M. A. Kennedy, Piedmont Association

To our visiting brethren, due to the crowd of visitors I am sure that we did not enroll all of your names, but we did the best we could and we want to extend to you a hearty welcome. We are glad to have you all come to see us any time you can, and we do hope and trust in the Lord that our correspondence will continue as long as time shall remain. Pray for us, Brethren, that we may keep on to good old way until traveling days are done.

QUARTERLY MEETINGS, AND NAMES OF PASTORS

Harpers Chapel: Warren Melton. 3rd Saturday and Sunday in Feb.
Tyson Creek: Uriah Parker. 4th Saturday and Sunday in February.
Oak Grove: Fate Melton. 4th Saturday and Sunday in March.
Low Level: Uriah Parker, 2nd Saturday and Sunday in January.
Friendship: Fate Melton. 3rd Saturday and Sunday in April.
Union Grove: Fate Melton. 2nd Saturday and Sunday in February.
Cobbs Chapel: David Bynum. 3rd Saturday and Sunday in March.
Mt. Zion Grove: Levi Edwards. 3rd Saturday and Sunday in April.
Seven Holly: Uriah Parker. 1st Saturday and Sunday in April.
Healthy Plains: Willie Williams, 3rd Saturday and Sunday in March.
Fountain Hill: Levi Edwards, 4th Saturday and Sunday in March.
Williams Chapel: Willie Williams. 2nd Saturday and Sunday in Mar.
Jerusalem Grove: Fate Melton. 1st Saturday and Sunday in March.
Mt. Gallilee: Warren Melton. 4th Saturday and Sunday in January.
Jones Hill: Warren Melton. 2nd Saturday and Sunday in March.
Oxhanox: David Bullock, 3rd Saturday and Sunday in February.
St. John: Elder David Bullock, 1st Sat. Sun. in January.

NAMES OF DEACONS, AND THEIR ADDRESSES

Deacon Eddie Ricks, 1025 Roberson St., Wilson, N. C.
Deacon Henry Mitchell, Rt. 4, Box 67, Wilson, N. C.
Deacon Rothwell Lock, R. 2, B. 195, Greenville, N. C. Ph. 6914.
Deacon Arthur Council, Rt. 6, Box 350, Greenville, N. C.
Deacon Tom Moore, Rt. 1, Fountain, N. C.
Deacon Art Newton, Greenville, N. C.
Deacon George Taylor, Rt. 1, Fountain, N. C.
Deacon Lester Moye, 300 Cadallic St., Greenville, N. C.
Deacon Willie Green, Farmville, N. C .
Deacon Willie Moore, Rt. 2, Box 205, Farmville, N. C.
Deacon Willie Vine, Rt. 6, Greenville, N. C.
Deacon John Ellis, Jr., Rt. 2, Macclesfield, N. C.
Deacon Johnnie W. Fench, Rt. 1, Box 20, Sims, N. C.
Deacon George Barrett, Fountain, N. C.
Deacon Frank Powell, Rt. 1, Box 7, Farmville, N. C.
Deacon Ernest Bullock, Rt. 4, Box 27, Wilson, N. C.
Deacon Governor Barnes, Rt. 2, Box 258, Farmville, N. C.
Deacon John Newton, Rt. 3, Wilson, N. C.
Deacon Curtis Carr, P. O. Box 389, Farmville, N. C.
Deacon Johnnie R. Barnes, P. O. Box 384, Farmville, N. C.

CHURCH COVENANT

Having been led as we believe by the Spirit of God, to receive the Lord Jesus Christ our Savior, and on the profession of our faith, having been baptised in the name of the Father, Son and Holy Ghost, we do now in the presence of God, His angels and this assembly, most solemnly enter into a covenant with one another as one body in Christ, to endeavor by the aid of the Holy Spirit to walk together in Christian love to strive for the advancement of the churches in knowledge and holiness, to hold it in our affections, prayers and services above every organization of human origin, to sustain its worship, order and discipline, the doctrine of predestination, election and grace, to contribute cheerfully and regularly as God has prospered us, and for the relief of afflicted members: in case of a difference of opinion in the churches we will strive to avoid a contentious spirit. We further engage to watch over, to pray for, to exhort and stir up each other unto every good word and to guard each other's reputation, not needlessly exposing the infirmities of others, to be slow to give or take offence but always ready for reconciliation, being mindful of the rules of the Savior in the 18tn chapter of Matthew. Secure it without delay, through life amid evil and good report, to the glory of God, who hath called us out of darkness into His marvelous light Now may the Spirit of God be joined upon us to carry out this covenant one with another throughout the Union Primitive Baptist Assoiation.

Written this 28th day of January, 1955, by Elder David Bynum, Moderator of the Union Association. Signed by other officers of the Association.

ELDER DAVID BYNUM, Moderator
ELDER URIAH PARKER, Assistant Mod.
BROTHER H. COOPER, Clerk
DEACON ARTHUR COUNCIL, Ass't. Clerk

A PEACEMEETING, HELD JULY 28, 1939

Elder S. E. Hemby, Moderator of the Union Association held a peace meeting at Fountain Hill Church. He called the several Primitive Baptist Associations together. The Moderators from the different Associations met on that day and all agreed on in one accord and sweet fellowship one with another We feel it was the mercy of the blessed Lord with us that day, as we all came in peace and sweet fellowship with the dear brethren.

Written by Deacon Eddie Ricks of Union Grove Church. This meeting opened at 11 a. m. and closed at 3 p. m.

ELDER DAVID BYNUM, Moderator
ELDER URIAH PARKER, Assistant Moderator
BROTHER JOHN, H. COOPER, Clerk
DEACON ARTHUR COUNCIL, Ass't. Clerk

RULES OF DECORUM

1. No member shall be received from a sister Church without a letter of dismission.

2. If a member is given to raising confusion in the church, whether minister or member, the church must at once take steps to exclude such member.

3. No member shal be allowed to visit ball rooms or parties, and if they do, they will be in the hands of the church and will be excluded from the church.

4. Members who will not obey rules which are simple and easy, will not be held.

5. When a member has been excluded for violating the rules of the

church, comes back and makes confesssion before the church, it is the duty of the church to receive the member. If there be any through malice not willing to receive a member, they shall be in the hands of the church.

6. Each church shall fast three times each year.

7. No ordained church of the same faith shall be nearer than seven miles.

8. Any member who calls for their name and keeps it in his or her pocket over three months is considerd out of the church.

9. Any member failing to attend three successive quarterly meetings without sickness, shall be in the hands of the church.

10. All Elders and Ministers of the Association shall hereafter return their credentials and license to the Association at its annual meeting, that they may be in possession of the Association in case it has anything against the Elder or Minister.

11. All churches of this Association shall have ordained deacons if they possibly can.

12. No licensed Minister shall be ordained in this Association without first building up a church and receiving two or three members or except some church called for him for their pastor. Then he must preach a trial sermon before three or more Elders. Then he shall be fit for ordination.

13. Any church belonging to the Union Association, if cut off or dropped by an act of this body or a Union Meeting, no brother or brothers shall take it up neither any Association with whom we correspond. Such church shall be received only by petitionary Letters to the Union.

14. We especially prohibit any member belonging to the Union Association to join any secret organization. If any member joins such society, they shall not be held by any church belonging to the Union Association. If any church knowingly holds such members, it shall be dropped by the Association.

ELDER DAVID BYNUM, Moderator,
BROTHER JOHN H. COOPER, Clerk.

ARTICLES OF FAITH

1. We believe in one true and living God, that there are three persons in the Godhead, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost.

2. We believe that the scriptures of the Old and New Testaments are the words of God, and the only rule of faith and practice.

3. We believe in the doctrine of man's impotency to recover himself from the fallen state he is in by nature, of his own free will or ability.

4. We believe that sinners are justified in the sight of God only by the imputed righteousness of Christ.

5. We believe in the doctrine of eternal, particular election.

6. We believe that God's elect shall be called, converted and sanctified by the Holy Ghost.

7. We believe that the saints shall be preserved in grace and never finally fall.

8. We believe that baptism, the Lord's Supper and washing the saints' feet are ordinances, and the true mode of baptism is immersion.

9. We believe in the resurrection of the dead. We believe that the punishment of the wicked will be everlasting and the joys of the righteous shall be eternal.

10. We believe that no minister has the right to administer the ordinance of baptism and the Lord's Supper except such as are regularly ordained by a presbytery.

STATISTICAL TABLE

CHURCHES	PASTORS	NAMES OF CHURCH MESSENGERS	Sun. of Meeting	Rec'd by Baptism	Rec'd by Letter	Restored to Fel	Dis. by Letter	Excluded	Deceased	Membership	Contributions
Harper's Chapel	Warren Melton	Deacons Lester Moye, Governor Barnes	3	4	..	..	..	1	2	23	$35.00
Tyson Creek	Uriah Parker	Deacons Willie Green, Art Newton, Willie Moor	4	..	..	..				33	40.00
Oaky Grove	Fate Melton	Deacons Arthur Council, Earnest Bullock, J. Newton	4	2		..			..	42	54.00
Mt. Zion Grove	Levi Edwards	Deacons A. Council, R. W. Lock, Charlie Mills	3	2	..	..				24	21.50
Cobb's Chapel	David Bynum	Deacons George Taylor, Willie Vine	3	..		..	..	..	1	25	35.50
Friendship	Fate Melton	Deacon Johnie W. Fench	3	5	..	2		..	2	53	53.00
Seven Holly	Uriah Parker	Deacons Arthur Council, Willie Vine	1	3				..	1	54	58.00
Union Grove	Fate Melton	Deacons Eddie Ricks, Henry Mitchell	2		..	2		2	1	68	62.75
Healthy Plain	Willie Williams	Deacons Tom Moor, Willie Moor	3				..	..		9	9.00
Low Level	Uriah Parker	Deacons Tom Moor, John Ellis, George Barrett	2	..	..		..		1	6	8 50
Fountain Hill	Levi Edwards	Deacons Tom Moor, John Ellis	4	..		1		..	..	11	13.00
Jerusalem Grove	Fate Melton	Deacons Eddie Ricks, Henry Mitchell	1	1	..				..	14	15.50
William's Chapel	Willie Williams	Deacon Frank Powell	2	1		..	..	..	..	12	17.00
Mt. Galillee	Warren Melton	Deacons Henry Mitchell, Johnie Fench	4			..	..			24	21.00
Jones Hill	Warren Melton	Deacon Johnnie W. Fench	2	4		..	..	1	1	21	28.50
Oxhonox	David Bullock	Deacon Johnie Newton	3	1	..	..	1	..		7	11.50
St. John	David Bullock	Deacon Earnest Bullock	1	2			..	..	1	9	13.50

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OCTOBER 4, 5, 6,

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Next Association will convene with the Church of Union Grove in Wilson, N. C. on Singletary St., Friday before the first Sunday in October, 1964.

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OF THE NINETY-THIRD ANNUAL SESSION OF THE UNION PRIMITIVE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION, CONVENED WITH THE CHURCH OF SEVEN HOLLY ABOUT 2 MILES SOUTH OF FOUNTAIN, N. C., OCTOBER 4, 5, 6, 1963.

FRIDAY MORNING SESSION—October 4, 1963

Service was opened by praise and prayer. Sang hymn 492, lined by Deacon R. L. Lock. Prayer was offered by Deacon R. W. Lock. The Assitant Moderator arose and read St. Matt. 18:7-18.

According to the Arrangement Committee in 1962, Elder David Bullock was to preach the Introductory Sermon. He arose and sang hymn 280. Text Matt. 18. Then the Assistant Moderator arose and called Elder Warren Melton to preach the alternate sermon. He arose, sang hymn 383, text Rev. 6:3.

The Assistant Moderator arose and called Elder Ruffin Hyman from the Bethlehem Association. He arose and preached his text, St. John 9. Then the Assistant Moderator arose and announced an open door of the church for new members to fellowship and called Elder Warren Melton to sing a closing hymn. He arose, sang hymn 168 and closed. Benediction by Elder Uriah Parker. Public Collection, $14.85.

Elder Uriah Parker, Moderator
Brother John H. Cooper, Clerk
Deacon Arthur Council, Assistant Clerk

FRIDAY EVENING SESSION

After recess for about one hour the delegates all met with the Moderator present. Moved and seconded conference be opened by praise and prayer. Sang hymn 288, lined by Deacon R. W. Lock. Prayer offered by Deacon Arthur Council.

Moved and seconded a scripture lesson be read.The Assistant Moderator arose and read Psalm 51 down to verse 13. Then pronounced conference open for busniess.

Moved and second the delegates all retire and choose a Moderator and Clerk and all other officers. It pleased the minds of the delegates to choose Elder David Bullock for their Moderator for 1964. He chose for his Assistant Elder Uriah Parker. Brother John H. Cooper was chosen for their Clerk for 1964. He chose for His Assistant Clerk Deacon Arthur Council. Deacon Charlie Mills was chosen for text reporter from day to day. Deacon Eddie Ricks was chosen Association Treasurer. He chose

for his Assistant, Deacon William Pender.

Elder David Bullock, Elder Willie Williams, Elder Fred Dildy were chosen for Arrangement Committee on Preaching.

Elder David Bullock, Deacon R. W. Lock, Deacon Arthur Council, Deacon Johnnie Finch, Finance Committee.

Elder David Bullock, Deacon R. W. Lock, Deacon Arthur Council, Deacon Eddie Ricks was chosen for our Building Committee.

Deacon Arthur Council, Deacon William Pender was chosen for our state deacons. They chose for their Assistant Deacon R. W. Lock.

Moved and seconded we invite our visiting brethren to sit with us and feel themselves welcome in our conference.

Moved and second the names of the churches be called and delegates' names be enrolled and absentees noted. All present. See Statistical Table.

Moved and seconded the Arrangement Committee on Preaching make their report. They send to the stand to open: Elder Earl May. Brother Robert Daniel, Brother James Roy Farmer, Elder John Thomas Moore.

Elder John Thomas Moore moved and seconded our visiting delegates' names be called and enrolled and absentees noted. All present but one. Contentnea: Absent.

Moved and second the several delegates make their report.

Harpers Chapel in Peace by Deacon Governor Barnes.

Tyson Creek in pace by Deacon Willie Moore.

Oaky Grove in peace by Deacon Arthur Council.

Mt. Zion Grove in peace by Deacon R. W. Lock.

Cobbs Chapel in peace by Deacon George Taylor.

Friendship in peace by Deacon Perlie Finch.

Seven Holly in peace by Deacon Willie Vine.

Union Grove in peace by Deacon Eddie Ricks.

Healthy Plains in peace by Deacon Tom Moore.

Low Level in peace by Deacon John Ellis, Jr.

Fountain Hill in peace by Deacon Tom Moore.

Jerusalem Grove in peace by Deacon Eddie Ricks.

Williams Chapel in peace by Deacon Willie Vine.

Mat. Galilee in peace by Deacon Johnnie Finch.

Jones Hill in peace by Deacon Johnnie Finch.

Oxhanox in peace by Deacon Willie Moore.

St. John in peace by Deacon Willie Moore.

Hope to Live in peace by Deacon William Pender.

Moved and seconded the reports from the delegates be received. Moved and seconded our visiting delegates make their report.

Bethlehem in peace by Elder Ruffin Hyman with a file of minutes. Their next setting will be at Coneta, starting Friday before the second Sunday in October, 1963.

Loving in peace by Elder A. H. Humphrey with a file of minutes. Their next sitting will be at Edneys Chapel, starting Friday before the fourth Sunday in September 1964.

Mt. Pleasant in peace by Elder Smith with a file of minutes.

Tar River in peace by Elder Anderson with a file of minutes. Their next setting will be held with the Sandy Point Church, starting Friday before the third Sunday in October, 1963.

Radicue in peace by Brother Charlie Frank Webb with a file of minutes. Long Branch in peace by Deacon George Wimberly with a file of minutes. Their next setting will be held at Logsboro Church in Leggetts, starting Friday before the third Sunday in October, 1963.

Little River in peace by Elder Lawrence Bethea with a file of minutes. Their next setting will be held in Smithfield, starting Friday before the second Sunday in October, 1963.

Contentnea in peace by Elder Robert Revis, their Moderator.

Mt. Zion i npeace by Elder J. L. Wade with a file of minutes. Their next setting will be held in Beckley, starting Friday before the first Sunday in August, 1964.

Piedmont in peace by Elder Young with a file of minutes. Their next setting will be held at Mt. Zion Church, starting Friday before the fourth Sunday in September, 1964.

Sandy Ridge in peace by Elder Jessie F. Mabe with a file of minutes. Their next setting will be held at the Church of Macedonia, starting Friday before the third Sunday in October 1963.

Roanoke in peace by Elder Robert Townes with a file of minutes. Their next setting will be heldwith the New Banister Church, Friday before the fourth Sunday in July, 1964.

Chestnut Knob in peace by Elder J. L. Wade with a file of minutes. Their next setting will be held at Rock Hill Church, Friday before the second Sunday in August, 1964.

Coopers Grove in peace by Elder Cecil Alston with a file of minutes. There next setting will convene with the Mt. Hope Church, to be held at the Association ground one mile east of Mebane, N. C., starting Saturday before the third Sunday in August, 1964.

Strange Stare in peace by Elder E. L. Gray with a file of minutes. There next setting will be held at the Mt. Morial Church, 1310 Central Street, Flint, Michigan., Friday before the fourth Sunday in August, 1964.

Corresponding: Absent.

Moved and seconded the reports from the several delegates be received by the Moderator extending the right hand to the messengers.

Moved and seconded petitionary letters be called for, if there be any. Elder Amos H. Humphrey petitioned for Elder Warren Melton to pastor Hartsville Chapel Church for 1964. It was agreed by the conference.

Moved and second the Moderator and Clerk have a thousand copies of the minutes printed and distributed among the churches.

Moved and seconded the Moderator and Clerk write the Circular Letter and the Corresponding Letter. It was agreed.

Moved and seconded conference open tomorrowat 10:00. It was agreed. Moved and seconded if no other business conference adjourn until Saturday morning at 10:00. It was agreed. Sanfi hymn 514. Benediction by Elder Uriah Parker.

Elder David Bullock, Moderator
Elder Uriah Parker, Assistant Moderator
Brother John H. Cooper, Clerk
Deacon Arthur Council, Assistant Clerk
Deacon Charlie Mills, Text Reporter

FRIDAY EVENING AT THE STAND

Elder Earl May opened by singing hymn 73 and offered prayer to the Almighty God. Then came fourth Brother Robert Daniel. He sang hymn 530. His text was St. John 15. Then Brother James Roy Farmer arose, text St. John 1. Then Elder John Thomas Moore from the Bethlehem Association arose, sang hymn 393 and preached a wonderful sermon. Then Elder Willie Williams came forth and sang hymn 631 for closing. Benediction by Elder Ruffin Hyman.

FRIDAY NIGHT SESSION

Deacon Arthur Council opened service by singing hymn 533. Prayer offered by Deacon Perry from the Tar River Association to the Almighty God. Then the Moderator arose and read a Scripture lesson. He read St. Matthew 5:1-17 and then called Brother Authur Dildy to preach. He arose, sang hymn 73 and preached a wonderful sermon. Then the Moderator arose and called Elder Fred Dildy to preach. He arose and sang hymn 364, text St. John 15. Then the Moderator arose and called Elder Uriah Parker the Assistant Moderator. He arose, sang hymn 76 and preached a wonderful sermon. Then the Moderator arose and called Elder Cleo Barnes to open the doors of the church for new members to fellowship and close. He sang hymn 364 and closed. Benediction by Elder Cleo Barnes.

Collection, $4.85.

Elder David Bullock, Moderator
Elder Uriah Parker, Assistant Moderator
Brother John H. Cooper, Clerk
Deacon Arthur Council, Assistant Clerk

SATURDAY MORNING SESSION

The Association assembled themselves together with the Moderator present. Service began by singing hymn 188, lined by the Assistant Moderator. Prayer offered by Elder Fred Dildy.

Moved and second there would be a Scripture lesson read. The Moderator called the Assistant Moderator to read a Scripture lesson. He arose and read St. Matthew 13:1-16. Then the Moderator pronounced conference open for business.

Moved and second we invite our visiting brethren to sit with us in our conference and feel themselves welcome.

Moved and seconded the delegates' names be called and names' enrolled and absentees noted. All present. Moved and second our visiting delegates' name be called and names enrolled and absentees noted. All present but one. Corresponding absent.

Moved and second the Arrangement Committee on Preaching make their report. They send to the stand to open: Elder Fred Dildy. Brother James Finch to follow. Brother Ruffus Parker. Elder Richard Anderson and Elder Willie Williams.

Moved and second the Friday evening session be read, approved and adopted.

Moved and second the minutes be received with necessary corrections, if there be any.

Moved and second the delegates all retire and decide among themselves where the next association will go and who will preach the introductory sermon and who will preach the alternate sermon. It pleased the minds of the delegates to send the next association to the church of Union Grove. Elder Earnest Melton to preach the introductory sermon and Elder Uriah Parker to preach the alternate sermon.

Moved and second we get our messengers to visit sister associations with whom we correspond.

Radicue: Elder Willie Williams go in 1964.
Bethlehem: Elder Earnest Melton go in 1963.
Corresponding: Deacon Arthur Council go in 1963.
Long Branch: Brother Ruffus Parker go in 1963.
Little River: Brother James Roy Farmer og in 1963.
Contentnea: Brother James Finch go in 1963.
Loving: Brother Robert Daniel, Jr. go in 1964.
Mt. Pleasant: Elder Uriah Parker go in 1963.
Mt. Zion: Elder Fred Dildy go in 1964.
Piedmont: Elder Jethro Dickerson go in 1964.
Sandy Ridge: Elder Cleo Barnes go in 1963.
Roanoke: Brother Oswald Keys go in 1964.
Chestnut Knob: Elder Warren Melton go in 1964.
Coopers Grove: Brother Jimmie Woodard go in 1964.
Tar River: Elder David Bullock go in 1963.
Strange Star: Elder Warren Melton go in 1964.

Moved and seconded petitionary letters be called for if there be any. There was none.

Moved and seconded if no other business, conference adjourn until this evening. Sang hymn 514 lined by the Moderator. Elder David Bullock. Benediction by Elder David Bullock.

Public collection, $30.36.

Elder David Bullock, Moderator
Elder Uriah Parker, Assistant Moderator
Brother John H. Cooper, Clerk
Deacon Arthur Council, Assistant Clerk

SATURDAY MORNING AT THE STAND

Elder Fred Dildy opened service by singing hymn 689. Prayer

offered by Elder Fred Dildy. Then Brother James Finch arose. Sang hymn 288, text was St. John 15. Then Brother Ruffus Parker arose and sang hymn 3 and bore witness with the foregoing brother. Then Elder Richard Anderson from the Tar River Association arose, sang hymn 364, text St. John 15. Then Elder Briscoe Lock from the Corresponding Association arose, sang hymn 490, text St. John 14. Then Elder Earnest Melton arose, sang hymn 161 and closed. Benediction by Elder Earnest Melton. Public collection, $30.36. Deacon Charlie Mills, Text reporter.

SATURDAY EVENING SESSION

Service began with the Moderator present. Sang hymn 940, lined by Elder Jethro Dickerson. Prayer offered by Elder David Bullock our Moderator.

Moved and second there will be a Scripture lesson read. The Moderator arose an dread Psalm 1.

Moved and second we invite our visiting brethren to sit with us in our conference and feel themselves welcome.

Moved and second the several delegates' names be called and absentees noted. All present.

Moved and second our visiting delegates' names be called and absentees noted. All present but one.

Moved and second the Arrangements Committee on Preaching make their report. They sent to the stand to open: Brother Jack Moore. Elder Cutler Sauls to follow. Elder Leslie Blow to follow him.

Moved and second the Saturday morning session be read, approved and adopted.

Moved and seconded the minutes be received with necessary corrections if there be any.

Moved and seconded the several delegates' names be called and contributions taken up. See Statistical Table. Received from the churches $503.50. Public collection, $191.10. Total, $694.60.

Moved and second the old treasurer make his report. He reported $90.00. Moved and seconded the reports be received.

Moved and second the Finance Committee make their report. They reported $503.50.

Moved and second the reports be received.

Moved and second the Association pay off her expense which was $473.96, leaving a balance to go to the Association Treasury of $220.64 with $90.00 brought forward from 1962 to be added to the sum of $220.64, making a total of $310.64 in the treasury this day October 7, 1963.—Deacon Eddie Ricks, Treasurer; Deacon William Pender, Assistant Treasurer.

Moved and second we have a Church form printed in the back of the minutes.

Moved and second the fees for male members be $2.00; female $1.50. Moved and seconded every members belonging to the Union Primitive Baptist Association pay $1.50 every Union.

Moved and seconded if a member belonging to the Union Primitive Baptist Association fails to pay his or her dues, they are in the hands of the church. It was agreed by the conference.

Moved and second if no other business, conference adjourn until 1964.

Closed by singing hymn 514, lined by Deacon R. W. Lock. Benediction by Elder David Bullock.

Elder David Bullock, Moderator
Elder Uriah Parker, Assistant Moderator
Brother John H. Cooper, Clerk
Deacon Arthur Council, Assistant Clerk

SATURDAY EVENING AT THE STAND

Brother Jack Moore opened service by singing hymn 356 and offered prayer to the Almighty God. Elder Sledge from the Tar River Association arose and sang hymn 400 and preached wonderfully. Eld. Cutler Sauls from the Contentnea Association arose and sang hymn 76, text St. John 14. Elder Leislie Blow from the Tar River Association arose, sang hymn 180, text Gen. 1. Elder Fred Dildy arose, sang hymn 73, text St. John 15. Then the Moderator arose, sang hymn 144 for closing. Collection $7.68. Benediction by Elder David Bullock.—Deacon Charlie Mills, Text Reporter from day to day.

SATURDAY NIGHT SESSION

Service began by singing hymn 533 lined by Deacon Arthur Council. Prayer offered by Deacon Governor Barnes. Then the Moderator arose and read the Scripture lesson. He read St. Matt. and then called Elder Robert Townes from the Roanoke Association. He arose, sang hymn 3, text Cor. 13. Then the

Moderator called Elder Young from the Piedmont Association. He arose, sang hymn 1, text St. Matt. 5:1-14. Then the Moderator arose and called Elder Mabe from the Sandy Ridge Association. He arose, sang hymn 490 and preached a wonderful sermon. Then the Moderator arose and called Elder Wade from the Mt. Zion Association. He arose and sang hymn 355, text Dan. 3:17. Then the Moderator arsoe and called the Moderator from the Strange Star Association, Elder E. L. Gray. He arose and sang hymn 2 and preached a wonderful sermon. Then the Moderator arose and announced an open door of the church for new members to fellowship and closed by singing hymn 284 lined by the Moderator of Coopers Grove, Elder Cecil Alston. Benediction by Elder T. E. Claytor. Public Collection, $18.30 —Deacon Charlie Mills, Text Reporter from day to day.

SUNDAY MORNING SESSION

The delegates all met with the Moderator present. Service was opened by singing hymn 383 lined by Brother Arthur Dildy. Prayer offered by Brother Arthur Dildy. Then the Moderator arose and read a Scripture lesson. He read St. Matt. 18:1-10 and called Brother Arthur Dildy to preach. He arose, text Rev. 21. Then the Moderator arose and called Elder Richard Anderson fro mthe Tar River Association. He arose, text St. Matt. 2:37. Then the Assistant Moderator arose and called Elder Ruffin Hymon from the Bethlehem Association. He arose. Text was Rev. 14. The Assistant Moderator arose and called Elder Richard Young from the Piedmont Association. He asose, sang hymn 77, text Dan. 40. Then the Assistant Moderator arose and called Elder Mabe from the Sandy Ridge Association. He asose, sang hymn 200, tet St. John 15. Then the Assistant Moderator arose and called Brother Charlie Frank Webb from the Radicue Association. He arose, sang hymn 400, tes text St. John 14:1. Then the Assistant Moderator arose and called the Moderator from the Little River Association, Elder Lawrence Bethea. He arose and preached a wonderful sermon. Then the Assistant Moderator arose and called Elder E. L. Gray, the Moderator of the Strange Star Association. He arose, sang hymn 284 and bore withness with the foregoing Elders and preached a wonderful sermon. The Assistant Moderator arose and called Elder Cecil Alston, The Moderator of the Coopers Grove Association. He

arose, sang hymn 492, text St. John 1:9. Then the Assistant Moderator arose and called the Moderator, Elder E. E. Claytor from the Piedmont Association. He arose, sang hymn 284, text Isa. 6:1. The Assistant Moderator arose and called Elder J. L. Wade from the Mt. Zion Association. He arose, sang hymn 355 and preached a wonderful sermon. The Assistant Moderator arose and called Elder Hubert Alston from the Coopers Grove Association. He arose, bore witness with the foregoing Elders and preached wonderfully. Then the Assistant Moderator arose and turned the meeting over to the Moderator. He arose and thanked the congregation for their kindness and nice behavior and closed by singing hymn 400, lined by the Moderator. Benediction by the Moderator. —Brother Deacon Charlie Mills, Text Reporter from day to day. Public collection, $85.00.

Elder David Bullock, Moderator
Elder Uriah Parker, Assistant Moderator
Brother John H. Cooper, Clerk
Deacon Arthur Council, Assistant Clerk

CIRCULAR LETTER

Dear Brethren in Christ,—I trust this is a great pleasure to have the privilege of writing you this epistle of love. I am glad to have all of you in our association and to have such rich gospel of Jesus Christ preached by all of our visiting ministers. We thank God for blessing us with the Holy Spirit. We thank God for blessing us to meet in peace and love.

Come back to see us again. May God bless you all. Amen.

CORRESPONDING LETTER

Dear Brehren in Christ, I am glad and thankful to God who has blessed us to sit together in another Association in brotherly love and in peace with one another. I hope this will continue as long as time shall last. Let us always look forward to one eternal and allwise God who has all power. We trust to meet again from the north, south, east and west. Now may God bless all of you and come to see us. Done by order of the conference.

OFFICERS' SALARIES

Moderator	$25.00	
Assistant Moderator	12.50	
Clerk	25.00	
Assistant Clerk	12.50	
Text reporter	10.00	
Collected from the Association	$503.50	
Public collection	191.10	
All total		$694.60
Paid out for expense	473.96	
Balance from 1963	220.64	
Brought forward from 1962	90.00	
Total in treasury, 1963	$310.64	

(Left in treasury for 1964, this day Oct. 6, 1963)

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Elder David Bullock, Deacon R. W. Lock, Deacon Arthur Council, Deacon Johnnie Finch.

BUILDING COMMITTEE

Elder David Bullock, Deacon R. W. Lock, Deacon Arthur Council, Deacon Eddie Ricks.

OUR VISITORS

Elder P. L. Hill, Moderator of the Bethlehem Association
Elder G. C. Payton, Moderator of the Tar River Association
Elder T. E. Claytor, Moderator of the Piedmont Association
Elder Robert Revis, Moderator of the Contentnea Association
Elder Hubert Alston fromthe Cooper Grove Association
Elder Earl Holt for the Contentnea Association
Elder John Thomas Moore from the Bethlehem Association
Elder Cutler Sauls from the Contentnea Association
Deacon Humphrey from the Loving Association

To the visiting brethren: Due to the crowd of visitors, I am sure we did not enroll all of your names but we did the best we could. We want to extent to you a hearty welcome. We are glad to have you all come to see us any time yo ucan and we do hope and trust in the Lord that our correspondence will continue as long as time remains. Pray for us, brethren, that we may keep on the good old way until troubling days are done.

QUARTERLY MEETINGS AND PASTOR'S NAME

Harpers Chapel: Elder Warren Melton; 3rd Sat, and Sun in Feb.
Tyson Creek: Elder Uriah Parker; 4th Sat. and Sun. in Feb.
Oaky Grove: Elder David Bullock; 4th Sat. and Sun. in March
Low Level: Elder Uriah Parker; 2nd Sat. and Sunday in Jan.
Friendship: Elder Jethro Dickerson; 3rd Saturday and Sun. in April
Union Grove: Elder David Bullock; 2nd Sat. and Sun. in Feb.
Cobbs Chapel: In Moderator's hands; 3rd Sat. and Sun. in March
Mt. Zion Grove: Elder Levi Edwards; 3rd Sat. and Sun. in April
Seven Holly: Elder Uriah Parker; 1st Sat. and Sun. in March
Healthy Plain: Elder Willie Williams; 3rd Sat. and Sun. in March
Fountain Hill: Elder Levie Edwards; 4th Sat. and Sun. in March
Williams Chapel: Elder Willie Williams, 2nd Sat. and Sun. in March
Jerusalem Grove: Elder Ernest Melton; 1st Sat. and Sun. in March
Mt. Gallilee: Elder Warren Melton; 4th Sat. and Sun. in Jan.
Jones Hill: Elder Warren Melton; 2nd Sat. and Sun. in March
Oxhanox: Elder David Bullock; 3rd Sat. and Sun. in Feb.
St. John: Elder David Bullock; 1st Sat. and Sun. in Jan.
Hope to Live: Elder Ernest Melvin; 4th Sat. and Sun. May

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Deacon Freddie Bryant, RFD 2, Kenly, N. C.
Deacon Perlie Finch, RFD 1, Lucama, N. C.
Deacon James Parker, Rt. 1, Box 182, Greenville, N. C.
Deacon Charlie Hines, Cemetery St., Wilson, N. C.
Deacon Johnnie Woodard, 521 Hadley St., Wilson, N. C.; Ph. No. at the house: 243-6416; store ph. 243-9307

NAMES OF ORDAINED ELDERS AND THEIR ADDRESSES

Elder Uriah Parker, RFD 4, Box 149, Greenville, N. C.
Elder Jethro Dickerson, RFD 1, Lucama, N. C.
Elder Willie Williams, RFD 2, Box 157A, Walstonburg, N. C.
Elder Levie Edwards, RFD 1, Box 7, Fountain, N. C.
Elder Warren Melton, 113 South Reid St., Wilson, N. C.; Ph. 243-2987
Elder Earl May, Fountain, N. C.
Elder David Bullock, RFD 1, Box 206A, Stantonsburg, N. C.; 238-3198
Elder Fred Dildy, RFD 1, Box 191, Macclesfield, N. C.
Elder Cleo Barnes, Pinetop, N. C.
Elder Marvin Barnes, Farmville, N. C.
Elder Ernest Melton, Wilson, N. C.

LICENSED MINISTERS:

Brother James Avery, Mercer St., Wilson, N. C.
Brother Tony M. Parker, 265 Henry St., Stanford, Conn.
Brother Lawyer Newton, 700 W. Pine St., Farmville, N. C.
Brother Jack Moore, RFD 1, Box 75, Farmville, N. C.
Brother James Finch, 1207 Lincoln St., Wilson, N. C.; Ph. 237-3731
Brother James R. Farmer
Brother James Haskins, Finch St., Wilson, N. C.
Brother Robert Daniel, Jr., Wilson, N. C.
Brother Jimmie Howard Woodard, RFD 1, Box 42, Elm City, N. C.
Brother Lester Moye, 300 Cadalic St., Greenville, N. C.; PL 2-7090
Brother Ruffus Parker
Brother Arthur Dildy, 104 Lincoln St., Greenville, N. C.; Ph. SK3-3076
Brother Oswald Keys, P. O. Box 484, Farmville, N. C.; Ph. SK 3-3219

CLERKS AND THEIR ADDRESSES

Harpers Chapel: Sister Margarett Joyner, 102 Greenfield Blvd., Greenville, N. C.
Tyson Creek: Sister Fabbie Parker, RFD 4, Box 149, Greenville, N. C.
Oaky Grove: Sister Velma Lillie Barnes, RFD 4, Wilson, N. C.
Mt. Zion Grove: Sister Opal Cox
Cobb's Chapel: Sister Lena Joyner,
Friendship: Sister Elizabeth Vicks, 1106 Nora St., Wilson, N. C. Ph. 237-1391
Seven Holly: Sister Mary Parker, South Main St., Farmville, N. C.
Union Grove: Sister Penina Barnes, 1006 Mercer St., Wilson, N. C.
Healthy Plain: Sister Fabbie Parker, Rt. 4, Box 149, Greenville, N. C.
Low Level: Sister Mabel Vine, Fountain, N. C.
Fountain Hill: Martha Morgan, P. O. Fountain, N. C.
Jerusalem Grove: Sister Mary Bynum, 129, Narrow Way St., Wilson
Williams Chapel: Sister Gracie Lee Harris, Rt. 1, Box 173, Fountain
Mt. Gallilee: Sister Channie Parker, Rt. 2,Kenly, N. C.
Jones Hill: Sister Georgia Pope, Rt. 3, Box 77, Wilson, N. C.
Oxhanox: Sister Mattie Lee Bullock, Rt. 1, Box 206A, Stantonsburg N. C.; Ph. 238-3198
St. John: Brother James W. Cooper, 110 Fourth St., Wilson, N. C.
Hope to Live: Sister Irella Kelly, Wilson, N. C.

Brother William Warren, a member of the Friendship Church, he united in March of 1963. He was a faithful member as long as his health would let him. He lingered a while but was very gentle and kind and bore his illness well. We all will miss him. A seat will be vacant. So sleep on, brother, and take your rest. We loved you but God loved you best.

Written by Clerk of Friendship Church, Sister Elizabeth Vick.

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Sister Sarah Bynum united to Friendship Church Feb. 15, 1948 and she proved faithful until the end. A faithful sister from us is gone but will never be forgotten. Sleep on, Sister, and take your rest. We loved you but God loved you best.

Written by the Clerk of Friendship Church, Sister Elizabetth Vick.

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Sister Mary Hodges united to Friendship Church Oct. 21, 1940. She was a lovely sister. Her faith was strong in the Lord. She was always striving to do the right thing as far as she could. We will all miss her. She would always fill her seat if she was able but it pleased the Almighty God to call her from labor to reward. We miss her. So sleep on and take your rest. We loved you but God loves you best.

Written by the Clerk of Friendship Church, Sister Elizabetth Vick.

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Deacon John Wesley Newton was born March 20, 1896. He was 67 years old. He departed this life Sept. 10, 1963. He joined Oaky Grove Church in 1949. His stay in the church was 14 years. In that time he was chosen as deacon and served faithfully. The Association chose him for State Deacon which he served for a while before he became sick. He lingered for a pretty good while but he bore his sickness well and was always talking about what the Lord had done for him and advising the members to do the right thing. He would tell them to try to stay in peace and love with one another.

He was a good and faithful deacon. He also served as deacon at Oxhanox for a good while. He will be missed. We have lost a good and faithful brother. We all loved him but God never makes a mistake. Although it seems hard to us to lose one of our loved one, the Lord knows best. So sleep on Deacon Newton, and take your rest. We all hope to meet you in that getting up morning when there will be no more sickness felt and feared. He was so faithful until his illness go so severe that he could not go to church. But I would say he was satisfied. He was just depending on the Lord. He was prepared to meet his God for he had another building not made with hands.

Written by the Clerk.

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Elder David Bynum who departed this life September 21, 1963 at the age of 76. He united with the church of Union Grove in 1922, After a while the Association chose him for the Clerk, which office he served about 26 years. He was called to the ministry and then the Church of Cobbs Chapel chose him for their pastor, which he served until death and was a good and faithful pastor, always striving for the right think and advising his members to love one another. In 1951 he was chosen for the Moderator for the Union Line Association. He served as Moderator until death. He was a good Moderator, always working for the upbuilding of the Association. He was always on the job, trying to comfort those who mourned. We will all miss him but we all do trust our loss is heaven's gain. We all loved him but

God loved him best. So sleep on, Elder, and take your rest. We hope to meet you in that great getting up morning when all of our troubles will be over. Now his work on earth is ended. He is not dead. He is just away sleeping in the arms of Jesus.

Written by his daughter, and the Clerk.

CHURCH COVENANT

Having been led as we believe by the Spirit of God, to receive the Lord Jesus Christ our Savior, and on the profession of our faith, having been baptized in the name of the Father, Son and Holy Ghost, we do now in the presence of God, His angels and this assembly, most solemnly enter into a covenant with one another as one body in Christ, to endeavor by the aid of the Holy Spirit to walk together in Christian love to strive for the advancement of the churches in knowledge and holiness, to hold it in our affections, prayers and services above every organization of human origin, to sustain its worship, order and discipline, the doctrine of predestination, election and grace, to contribute cheerfully and regularly as God has prospered us, and for the relief of afflicted members; in case of a difference of opinion in the churches we will strive to avoid a contentious spirit. We further engage to watch over, to pray for, to exhort and stir up each other unto every good word and to guard each other's reputation, not needlessly exposing the infirmities of others, to be slow to give or take offence but always ready for reconciliation, being mindful of the rules of the Savior in the 18th chapter of Matthew. Secure it without delay, through life amid evil and good report, to the glory of God, who hath called us out of darkness into His marvelous light. Now may the Spirit of God be joined upon us to carry out this covenant one with another throughout the Union Primitive Baptist Association.

Written this 28th day of January, 1955, by Elder David Bynum, Moderator of the Union Association. Signed by other officers of the Association.

ELDER DAVID BULLOCK, Moderator
ELDER URIAH PARKER, Ass't Mod.
BROTHER JOHN H. COOPER, Clerk
DEA. ARTHUR COUNCIL, Ass't Clerk

A PEACEMEETING, HELD JULY 28, 1939

Elder S. E. Hemby, Moderator of the Union Association held a peace meeting at Fountain Hill Church. He called the several Primitive Baptist Associations together. The Moderators from the different Associations met on that day and all agreed on in one accord and sweet fellowship one with another. We feel it was the mercy of the blessed Lord with us that day, as we all came in peace and sweet fellowship with the dear brethren.

Written by Deacon Eddie Ricks of Union Grove Church. This meeting opened at 11 a.m. and closed at 3 p.m.

RULES OF DECORUM

1. No member shall be received from a sister Church without a letter of dismission.
2. If a members is given to raising confusion in the church, whether minister or member, the church must at once take steps to exclude such member.
3. No member shall be allowed to visit ball rooms or parties, and if they do, they will be in the hands of the church and will be excluded from the church.
4. Members who will not obey rules which are simple and easy, will not be held.
5. When a member has been excluded for violating the rules of

the church, comes back and makes confession before the church, it is the duty of the church to receive the member. If there be any through malice not willing to receive a member, they shall be in the hands of the church.

6. Each church shall fast three times each year.

7. No ordained church of the same faith shall be nearer than seven miles.

8. Any member who calls for their name and keeps it in his or her pocket over three months is considered out of the church.

9. Any member failing to attend three successive quarterly meetings without sickness, shall be in the hands of the church.

10. All Elders and Ministers of the Association shall hereafter return their credentials and licenses to the Association at its annual meeting, that they may be in possession of the Association in case it has anything against the Elder or Minister.

11. All churches of this Association shall have ordained deacons if they possibly can.

12. No licensed Minister shall be ordained in this Association without first building up a church and receiving two or three members or except some church called for him for their pastor. Then he must preach a trial sermon before three or more Elders. Then he shall be fit for ordination.

13. Any church belonging to the Union Association, if cut off or dropped by an act of this body or a Union Meeting, no brother or brothers shall take it up, neither any Association with whom we correspond. Such church shall be received only by petitionary letters to the union.

14. We especially prohibit any member belonging to the Union Association to join any secret organization. If any member joins such society, they shall not be held by any church belonging to the Union Association. If any church knowingly holds such members, it shall be dropped by the Association.

15. If a member is known going around sowing discord wrongfully against a member, he is in the hands of the church.

16. If a member walks up and withdraws fellowship from another without complying with the 18th chapter of Matthew, he is in the hands of the church.

ELDER DAVID BULLOCK, Moderator
ELDER URIAH PARKER, Ass't Mod.
BROTHER JOHN H. COOPER, Clerk
DEA. ARTHUR COUNCIL, Ass't Clerk

ARTICLES OF FAITH

1. We believe in one true and living God, that there are three persons in the Godhead, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost.

2. We believe that the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments are the words of God, and the only rule of faith and practice.

3. We believe in the doctrine of man's impotency to recover himself from the fallen state he is in by nature, of his own free will or ability.

4. We believe that sinners are justified in the sight of God only by the imputed righteousness of Christ.

5. We believe in the doctrine of eternal, particular election.

6. We believe that God's elect shall be called, converted and sanctified by the Holy Ghost.

7. We believe that the saints shall be preserved in grace and never finally fall.

8. We believe that baptism, the Lord's Supper and washing the saints' feet are ordinances, and the true mode of baptism is immersion.

9. We believe in the resurrection of the dead. We believe that the punishment of the wicked will be everlasting and the joys of the righteous shall be eternal.

10. We believe that no minister has the right to administer the ordinance of baptism and the Lord's Supper except such as are regularly ordained by a presbytery.

STATISTICAL TABLE

CHURCHES	PASTORS	NAMES OF CHURCH MESSENGERS	Sun. of Meeting	Rec'd by Baptism	Rec'd by Letter	Restored to Fel.	Dis'd by Letter	Excluded	Deceased	Tot. Membership	Contribution
Harpers Chapel	Warren Melton	Deacon Governor Barnes	3	....	....	....	....	....	1	22	$24.00
Tyson Creek	Uriah Parker	Deacon Willie Moore, Deacon Willie Green	4	....	....	....	....	....	....	27	38.00
Oaky Grove	David Bullock	Deacon Earnest Bullock	4	2	....	....	....	....	2	39	39.50
Mt. Zion Grove	Levie Edwards	Deacon Charlie Mills, Deacon R. W. Lock	3	3	....	....	....	....	....	23	26.00
Cobbs Chapel	In Moderator's hands	Deacon George Taylor, Deacon Willie Vine	3	2	....	....	....	....	1	20	30.00
Friendship	Jethro Dickerson	Deacon Pearlie Finch	3	2	....	....	1	....	2	45	55.50
Seven Holly	Uriah Parker	Deacons James Parker, Arthur Council, Vines	1	4	....	....	....	....	....	64	78.00
Union Grove	David Bullock	Deacon Eddie Ricks	2	1	....	....	....	....	2	56	61.50
Healthy Plain	Willie Williams	Deacon Tom Moore, Deacon Willie Moore	3	1	....	....	....	....	....	7	7.50
Low Level	Uriah Parker	Deacon Tom Moore, Deacon John Ellis, Jr.	2	1	....	....	....	....	....	5	8.00
Fountain Hill	Levie Edwards	Deacon Tom Moore, Deacon John Ellis, Jr.	4	1	....	....	....	....	....	9	11.00
Jerusalem Grove	Ernest Melton	Deacon Eddie Ricks	1	....	....	....	....	....	....	15	15.00
Williams Chapel	Willie Williams	Deacon Willie Vine	2	....	....	....	....	....	....	11	13.50
Mt. Galilee	Warren Melton	Deacon Freddie Bryant	4	2	....	....	....	....	....	25	19.00
Jones Hill	Warren Melton	Deacon Johnnie Finch	2	6	....	....	....	....	....	40	43.50
Oxhanox	David Bullock	Deacon Johnnie Woodard	3	....	....	....	....	....	....	8	12.50
St. John	David Bullock	Deacon Charlie Hines	1	1	....	....	....	....	1	9	8.50
Hope to Live	Ernest Melton	Deacon William Pender	4	....	1	....	....	....	....	10	12.50

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Next association will convene with the church of Tyson Creek. Leave Wilson, take 264 highway going East. Go to Saratoga, N. C. Turn left. Keep straight through Fountain. Go to Falkland, N. C. Turn right, go about 1 or 2 miles to the first road on the left. The church is beside the road. Starting Friday before the first Sunday in October, 1966.

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OF THE NINETY-FIFTH ANNUAL SESSION OF THE UNION PRIMITIVE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION, CONVENED WITH THE CHURCH OF COBB CHAPEL, NEAR COBBTOWN, N. C., OCTOBER 1, 2, 3, 1965.

FRIDAY MORNING—October 1, 1965

Service was opened by praise and prayer. Sang hymn 492, lined by Deacon Arthur Council. Prayer offered by Deacon R. W. Lock. Then the Moderator rose and read a scripture lesson He read St. John 14, starting at the first verse and read down to the 13th verse. According to the Arrangement Committee in 1964, Elder Fred Dildy was to preach the introductory sermon. So the Moderator rose and called Elder Fred Dildy to preach the Introductory Sermon. He rose and sang hymn 689, his text was St. John 15:1. Then the Moderator rose and called Elder Warren Melton to preach the alternate sermon. He rose and sang hymn 38, text St. John 9:11. Then the Moderator rose and called the Moderator from the Contentnea Association, Elder Robert Revis to preach. He rose, sang hymn 380, text Exodus 14:14. Then the Moderator rose and called the pastor of the Church, Elder Uriah Parker to annouce open door of the church for new members to fellowship and close. He rose and announced the open door of the church and sang hymn 168 for closing. Benediction by Elder Rufus Hyman, Assistant Moderator from the Bethlehem Association.

Elder David Bullock, Moderator
Elder Uriah Parker, Ass't Moderator
Brother John H. Cooper, Clerk
Deacon Arthur Council, Assistant Clerk

FRIDAY EVENING SESSION

After recess for about one hour, the delegates all met with the Moderator present. Moved and seconded conference be opened by praise and prayer. Sang hymn 41, lined by the Moderator. Prayer offered by the Moderator.

Moved and seconded there would be a scripture lesson read. The Moderator rose and called the Assistant Moderator to read a scripture lesson. He rose and read St. Matthew 18:8-18. Then the Moderator rose and pronounced conference open for business.

Moved and second the delegates all retire and choose a moderator and clerk and all other officers for 1966. It pleased the

minds of the delegates to choose Elder David Bullock for their Moderator for 1966. He chose for his assistant, Elder Uriah Parker. Brother John H. Cooper was chosen for their Clerk for 1966. He chose for his assistant Deacon Arthur Council. Deacon Charlie Mills was chosen for text reporter from day to day. Deacon William Pender was chosen Association Treasurer. Elder David Bullock, Elder Warren Melton, Elder Fred Dildy were chosen for Arangement Committee on Preaching. Deacon R. W. Lock, Deacon Arthur Council,Deacon Johnnie Finch were chosen for Finance Committee.

Elder David Bullock, Deacon R. W. Lock, Deacon Arthur Council, Deacon William Pender were chosen for Building Committee. Deacon Arthur Council, Deacon William Pender were chosen for our state deaeons. They chose for their assistants Deacon R. W. Lock and Deacon Charlie Hines.

Moved and second we invite our visiting brethren to sit with us and feel themselves welcome in our conferenee.

Moved and second the names of the churches be called and delegates' names be enrolled and absentees noted. All present. (See Statistical Table.)

Moved and second the Arrangement Committee on Preaching make their report. Due to the weather, they ommitted preaching. Moved and second our visiting delegates' names be called and absentees note. All present. Moved and second the several delegates make their report.

Harpers Chapel: In peace by Deacon Governor Barnes.
Tyson Creek: In peace by Deacon Willie Green.
Oak Grove: In peaee by Deacon Earnest Bullock.
Mt. Zion Grove: In peacc by Deacon Charlie Mills.
Cobbs Chapel: In peace by Deacon Willie Vine.
Friendship: In peace by Deacon Perlie Fineh.
Seven Holly: In peace by Deacon James Parker.
Union Grove: In peace by Deacon Johnnie Woodard.
Healthy Plain: In peace by Deacon Willie Moore.
Low Level: In peace by Deacon Tom Moore.
Fountain Hill: In peace by Deacon Governor Barnes.
Jerusalem Grove: In peace by Deacon Johnnie Woodard.
William Chapel: In peace by Deacon Willie Vine.
Mt. Gallilee: In peace by Deacon Johnnie Finch.
Jones Hill: In peace by Deacon William Pender.

Oxhanox: In peace by Deacon Johnnie Woodard.

St John: In peace by Deacon Charlie Hines.

Hope to Live: In peace by Deacon Perlie Finch.

Moved and second the reports from the delegates be received. Moved and second our visiting delegates make their reports.

Radicue: In peace by Elder Fred Lucas with a file of minutes.

Bethlehem: In peace by the Assistant Moderator, Elder Ruffin Hyman, with a file of minutes. Their next setting will be at the Zion Hill Church in Nash County, North Carolina, starting Friday before the second Sunday in October, 1965.

Corresponding: In peace by Elder Sandy Brown with a file of minutes. Their next setting convenes with Olive Branch church, located one half mile from Pactolus, N. C., Friday before the second Sunday in October, 1965.

Long Branch: In peace by Elder John Charles with a file of minutes. Their next setting convenes with the Tar River Chapel Church, located in Tarboro, N. C., Edgecombe County. Friday before the third Sunday in October, 1965.

Little River: In peace by their Moderator, Elder Lawrence Bethea. There next session convenes with the Black River Grove Church, near Coats, N. C., Friday before the second Sunday in October, 1965.

Contentnea: In peace by Elder F. L. Coley with a file of minutes. Their next setting convenes with the Little Nahunta Church in Fremont on Friday and Saturday at the Norwayne School, starting Friday before the fourth Sunday in October, 1965.

Loving: In peace by Elder Golden Pollock with a file of minutes. Next session convenes at Edna Chapel Church, Friday before the fourth Sunday in September, 1966.

Mt. Pleasant: In peace by Elder Buford Lee with a file of minutes. Their next setting convenes with Bethlehem Church, located in Emanuel County, Midville, Ga., starting Friday before the fourth Sunday in October, 1965.

Coopers Grove: In peace by Elder Hubert Alston with a file of minutes. Their next setting convenes with Pilgrim Rest Church, located at the association grounds, one mile east of Mebane, N. C., Friday before the third Sunday in August, 1966.

Mt. Zion: In peace by Elder J. L. Wade with a file of min-

utes. Their next setting will be at the Mt. Zion Church. Go to Eckman, West Va., beginning Friday before the first Sunday in August, 1966.

Piedmont: In peace by Elder E. A. Edwards with a file of minutes. Their next session will be at the Shady Grove Church in Floyd, County, near Cheeks, Va. Take highway 221. Friday before the fourth Sunday in September, 1966.

Sandy Ridge: In peace by Elder Walter T. Wade with a file of minutes. Their next setting will be at the church of Sandy Ridge. Go to Martinsvillle, Va., take highway 58 Go to Spencer, Va. at left and follow straight about 10 or 15 miles and then inquire about Sandy Ridge Church. Beginning Friday before the third Sunday in October, 1965.

Roanoke: In peace by Elder J. B. McLaughlin with a file of minutes. Their next session will be at the Mine Creek Church; will be held at Whatman, Va. Go to Danville, Va. Take highway 41, starting Friday before the fourth Sunday in July, 1966.

Chestnut Knob: In peace by Elder Hubert Martin with a file of minutes. Their next setting will convene with the Oak Level Church, starting Friday before the second Sunday in August in 1966. Go to Martinsville, Va. Take highway 222. Go to Bethel Fork. Take 57.

Tar River: In peace by Elder Richard Anderston with a file of minutes. Their next session will convene with the Paul Chapel Church on the Stantonsburg Road about 7 miles west of Greenville, North Carolina and seven miles east of Farmville, N. C., starting Friday before the third Sunday in October, 1965.

Strange Star: In peace by Elder Flurry with a file of minutes. Their next session will convene Friday before the fourth Sunday in August, 1966 with the True Vine Church, 8246 Oak Land Ave., Detroit, Michigan.

Moved and second the several delegates reports be received by the Moderator extending the right hand of fellowship to the messengers.

Moved and second petitionary letters be called for. If there be any. There was none.

Moved and seconded the Moderator and Clerk write the Circular Letter and the Corresponding Letter. It was agreed.

Moved and second, the Moderator and Clerk have a thou-

sand copies of the minutes printed and distributed among the churches.

Moved and second conference open tomorrow at 10:00. It was agreed.

Moved and second if no other business conference adjourn until Saturday Morning at 10:00. It was agreed. Sang hymn 506 lined by Deacon R. W. Lock. Benediction by the Moderator.

Elder David Bullock, Moderator
Elder Uriah Parker, Ass't Moderator
Brother John H. Cooper, Clerk
Deacon Arthur Council, Assistant Clerk
Deacon Charlie Mills, Text Reporter

FRIDAY EVENING AT THE STAND

Due to the condition of the weather, preaching was omitted Friday evening.

FRIDAY NIGHT SESSION

Elder Arthur Dildy opened service by singing hymn 400. Prayer offered by Deacon Willie Moore. Then the Moderator rose and read a scripure lesson. He read St. Matthew 25, beginning at the first verse and read down to the 14th verse.

Then the Moderator called Elder Golden Pollock from the Loving Association. He arose and sang hymn 366 and preached a wonderful sermon. Then the Moderator arose and called Elder McLaughlin from the Roanoke Association. He arose, sang hymn 74, text Psalm 89:27. Then the Moderator rose and called Elder Flurry from the Strange Star Association. He rose and sang hymn 490, text text was the third chapter of Epistle of Paul 18th verse. Then the Moderator arose and opened the doors of the church for new members to fellowship and called Elder Arthur Dildy to sing a closing hymn. He rose and sang hymn 163 for closing. Benediction by the Moderator. Pudlic Collection: $12.15.

Elder David Bullock, Moderator
Elder Uriah Parker, Ass't Moderator
Brother John H. Cooper, Clerk
Deacon Arthur Council, Assistant Clerk

SATURDAY MORNING SESSION

The Association assembled themselves together with Moderator present. Service began by singing hymn 353, lined by the

Moderator. Prayer offered by Brother John H. Cooper. Moved and second there would be a scripture lesson read. The Moderator rose and read St. Matthew 5:1-14.

Moved and second we invite our visiting delegates to sit with us and feel themselves welcome in our conference.

Moved and second the delegates' names be called and enrolled and absentees noted. All present.

Moved and second our visiting delegates' names be called and enrolled and absentees noted. All present.

Moved and second Arrangement Committee on Preaching make their report. They sent to the stand to open, Brother Jethroe Dickerson, Jr. Elder Marvin Barnes to follow him. Elder James Hairston from the Sandy Ridge Association to follow.

Moved and second the Friday evening session be read, approved and adopted. Moved and second the Minutes be received with necessary corrections if there be any.

Moved and second the delegates all retire and decide among themselves where the next association will go and who will preach the introduction sermon and who will preach the alternate sermon. It pleased the minds of the delegates to send the next association to the church of Tyson Creek with Elder Ruffus Parker to preach the introductory sermon and Elder Jimmy Woodard to preach the alternate sermon.

Moved and second to get our messengers to visit our sister associations with whom we correspond.

Radicue: Elder Jethroe Dickerson in 1966.
Bethlehem: Elder Warren Melton in 1965.
Corresponding: Elder Fred Dildy in 1965.
Long Branch: Brother Isaac Bridges in 1965.
Little River: Elder David Bullock in 1965.
Contentnea: Elder Ruffus Parker in 1965.
Loving: Elder Jimmie Woodard in 1966.
Mt. Pleasant: Elder Jethro Dickerson in 1965.
Mt. Zion: Elder James Aver in 1966.
Piedmont: Brother Tony Parker in 1966.
Sandy Ridge: Elder Uriah Parker in 1965.
Roanoke: Elder David Bullock or Elder James Hoskin, 1966.
Chestnut Knob: Elder Robert Danel in 1966.
Coopers Grove: Brother James Roy Farmer in 1966.

Tar River: Elder Levie Edwards in 1965.

Strange Star: Brother Jethro Dickerson, Jr., 1966.

Moved and second petitionary letters be called for if there be any. There were none.

Moved and second if no other business conference adjourn until this evening. Sang hymn for closing hymn 514, lined by the Moderator. Benediction by Elder Warren Melton. Elder

Elder David Bullock, Moderator
Elder Uriah Parker, Ass't Moderator
Brother John H. Cooper, Clerk
Deacon Arthur Council, Assistant Clerk
Deacon Charlie Mills, Text Reporter

SATURDAY MORNING AT THE STAND

Brother Jethro Dickerson, Jr. opened service by singing hymn 514 and offered prayer. Elder James Hairston from the Sandy Ridge Association rose, sang hymn 288 and preached a wonderful sermon. Elder Isaac Bridges rose and preached his experience and preached wonderfully. Elder Ruffin Hyman from the Bethlehem Association rose and preached, text Gen. 19. Elder F. L. Coley from the Contentnea Association rose and sang hymn 392 for closing. Benediction by Elder Jethro Dickerson. Public Collection: $24.48..

—Deacon Charlie Mills, Text Reporter

SATURDAY EVENING SESSION

Service began with the Moderator present. Sang hymn 288 lined by the Moderator. Prayer offered by the Assistant Moderator, Elder Uriah Parker.

Moved and second thee will be a scripture lesson read. The Moderator rose and called the Assistant Moderator to read a scripture lesson. He rose and read Isaiah 40:1-5.

Moved and second we invite our visiting brethren to sit with us in our conference and feel themselves welcome.

Moved and second the several delegates' names be called and absentees noted. All present.

Moved and seconded our visiting delegates' names be called and absentees noted. All present. Moved and second Arrangements Committee on Preaching make their report. They send to the stand to open, Brother Toney Parker. Elder Fred Lucas from the Radicue Association to follow him and Elder Hubert Martin from the Chestnut Knob to follow him. Moved and

second the Saturday Morning session be read, approved and adopted.

Moved and second the Minutes be received with necessary corrections if there be any.

Moved and second that the several delegates' names be called and contributions taken up. (See Statistical Table.) Received from the churches $545.90; public collection, $175.50; total $708.40.

Moved and second old treasurer make his report. He reported not any thing left in the treasury.

Moved and second the reports be received.

Moved and second the Finance Committee make their report. They reported $545.90. Moved and second the reports be received.

Moved and second the Association pay off her expense which was $454.40, leaving a balance to go to the Association treasury $254.00 with none brought forward from 1964. Elder Jethro Dickerson was paid $25.00 to go the the Mt. Pleasant Association and he failed to go so he turned the $25.00 back to the treasury. The Union borrowed $50.00 from the Association for Jones Hill and it was paid back to the Association by the Union; that made a total of $329.00 in treasury this day Oct. 2, 1965.

Deacon William Pender paid delegates $53.00 out of treasury leaving a balance in treasury this day October 2, 1965 the amount of $276.00.

—Deacon William Pender, Association Treasurer

Moved and second we have a church form printed in the back of the minutes.

Moved and second the fees for male members be $2.00; female, $1.50. Moved and second every member that belongs to the Union Primitive Baptist Association pay $1.50 every union. Moved and second if a member belonging to the Union Primitive Bapstis Association fails to pay his or her dues, they are in the hands of the church.

It was agreed by the conference.

Moved and second worship begin tomorrow at 10:00 o'clock.

Moved and second if no other business, conference adjourn until 1966. Sang hymn 506 lined by the Moderator. Benediction by the Moderator.

Elder David Bullock, Moderator
Elder Uriah Parker, Ass't Moderator
Brother John H. Cooper, Clerk
Deacon Arthur Council, Ass't Clerk

SATURDAY EVENING AT THE STAND

Brother Toney Parker opened service by singing hymn 530 and offered prayer to Almighty God. Elder Tucker rose, sang hymn 616, text Revelation 10. Elder Hubert Martin from the Chestnut Knob Association rose and sang hymn 1 and preached wonderfully. Elder Hubert Alston from the Coopers Grove Association rose and his text was John 15. Then Elder Warren Melton rose and sang a closing hymn. He sang hymn 382. Benediction by Elder Warren Melton. Public collection. $23.95.

—Deacon Charlie Mills, Text Reporter

SATURDAY NIGHT SESSION

Service began by singing hymn 530 lined by Deacon Arthur Council Prayer offered by Deacon Earnest Worthy from the Strange Star Association. Then the Moderator rose and read a scripture lesson. He read Psalm 125. Then called Elder Edwards from the Piedmont Association. He rose and sang hymn 490, text Jonah 2. Then the Moderator rose and called Elder Beaufort Lee from the Mt. Pleasant Association. He rose and sang hymn 440, text Acts 9:1. Then the Moderator rose and called Elder Walter T. Wade from the Sandy Ridge Association. He rose, sang hymn 506, text St. John 5:25.

Then the Moderator rose and called Elder Lawrence Bethea the Moderatotr from the Little River Association. He rose and sang hymn 689 and preached a wonderful sermon. Then the Moderator rose and announced open door of the church for new members to fellowship and called the Assistant Moderator to sing a closing. He rose and sang hymn 380. Benediction by the Moderator. Public collection $30.00.

—Deacon Charlie Mills, Text Reporter

SUNDAY MORNING SESSION

The delegates all met with the Moderator present. Service was opened by singing hymn 397 lined by Deacon William Pender. Prayer was offered by Brother Robert Ellis. Then the Moderator rose and read a scripture lesson. He read St. Matthew 20:1-14 and then called Brother Toney Parker to preach. He rose and preached a wonderful sermon. Then the

Moderator rose and called Elder F. L. Coley. He rose and sang hymn 73 His text was Romans 8:35. He was from the Contentnea Association. Then the Moderator arose and called Elder Gilbert Sledge from the Tar River Association. He rose and sang hymn 355, text Matthew 2. Then the Moderator rose and called Elder J. L. Wade from the Mt. Zion Association. He rose and sang hymn 355 and preached wonderfully. Then the Moderator rose and called Elder Flurry from the Strange Star Association. He rose, sang hymn 364, text Proverbs 11:6.

Then the Moderator rose and called Elder John Charles from the Long Branch Association. He rose and sang hymn 3 and preached wonderfully. Then the Moderator rose and called Elder Sandy Brown from the Corresponding Association. He rose, sang hymn 3. His text was St. John 1:1. Then the Moderator rose and called Elder J. B. McLaughlin from Roanoke Association He rose and sang hymn 415, text Judges 11:35.

Then the Moderator rose and called Elder Ruffin Hyman from the Bethlemen Association. He rose, text Rev. 10. Then the Moderator rose and called Elder Hubert Alston from the Coopers Grove Association. He rose and preached a wonderful sermon. Then the Moderator rose and called Elder P. L. Hill, the Moderator of the Bethlehem Association. He rose and sang hymn 559, text Acts 20:18. Then the Moderator rose and announced open door of the church for new meembers to fellowship and called Elder F. L. Coley from the Contentnea Association to sing a closing hymn. He rose and sang hymn 141. Benediction by Elder Uriah Parker.

Elder David Bullock, Moderator
Elder Uriah Parker, Ass't Moderator
Brother John H. Cooper, Clerk
Deacon Arthur Council, Ass't Clerk
Deacon Charlie Mills, Text Reporter

Public collection: $85.00.

CIRCULAR LETTER

Dear Brethren in Christ,—I trust this is a great pleasure to have the privilege of writing you this epistle of love. I am glad to have all of you in our association and to have such rich gospel of Jesus Christ preached by all our visiting ministers. We thank God for blessing us with the Holy Spirit. We thank God for blessing us to meet in peace and love. Come back to see us again.

May God bless you all. Amen.

CORRESPONDING LETTER

Dear Brethren in Christ,—I am glad and thankful to God who has

blessed us to sit together in another association in brotherly love and inspired with one another. I hope it will continue as long as time shall last. Let us always look forward to one eternal and all-wise God who has all power.

We trust to meet again from the north, south, east and west. Now may God bless all of you and come to see us.

Done by the order of the conference.

OFFICERS SALARIES

Moderator	$25.00
Assistant Moderator	12.50
Clerk	25.00
Assistant Clerk	15.50
Text Reporter	10.00

Collection from the Association	$545.90
Pubilc collection	175.50
Paid out for expense	$454.40
Balance from 1965	254.00
Brought forward from 1964: None.	
Total in treasury, 1965	$276.00

Left in treasury this day Oct. 3, 1965.

—Deacon William Pender, Treasurer

FINANCE COMMITTEE: Deacon R. W. Lock, Deacon Arthur Council, Deacon Johnnie Finch.

BUILDING COMMITTEE: Elder David Bullock, Deacon R. W. Lock, Deacon Arthur Council, Deacon William Pender.

OUR VISITING BRETHREN

Elder P. L. Hill, Moderator of the Bethlehem Association
Elder Earl Holt from the Contentnea Association
Elder Kimp Atkison from the Bethlehem Association
Elder Briscoe Lock from the Corresponding Association
Brother Matthew Reid from the Contenea Association
Deacon James Gatron from the Strange Star Association
Deacon Earnest Worthly from the Strange Star Association
Deacon Parris from the Loving Association
Elder Hubert Shelly from the Bethlehem Association
Elder Willie Kellie from the Bethlehem Association
Elder Grover Payton, Moderator of the Tar River Association
Elder Lawrence Reid from the Contentnea Association
Elder Willie Bryant from the Corresponding Association
Elder Luther Perkins from the Corresponding Association
Deacon Charlie Staton from the Bethlehem Association
Deacon Russell Harris from the Bethlehem Association

To the visiting brethren: Due to the Crowd of visitors, I am sure we did not enroll all of your names, but we did the best we could. We want to extend to you a hearty welcome. We are glad to have you all. Come to see us any time you can and we hope and trust in the Lord that our correspondence will continue as long as time remains. Pray for us, brethren, that we may keep up the good old way until traveling days are done.

QUARTERLY MEETINGS AND PASTOR'S NAME

Harpers Chapel: Elder Warren Melton; 3rd Sat, and Sun in Feb.
Tyson Creek: Elder Uriah Parker; 4th Sat. and Sun. in Feb.
Oaky Grove: Elder David Bullock; 4th Sat. and Sun. in March
Low Level: Elder Uriah Parker; 2nd Sat. and Sunday in Jan.
Friendship: Elder Jethro Dickerson; 3rd Saturday and Sun. in April
Union Grove: Elder David Bullock; 2nd Sat. and Sun. in Feb.

Cobbs Chapel: Elder Uriah Parker; 3rd Sat. and Sun. in March
Mt. Zion Grove: Elder Levi Edwards; 3rd Sat. and Sun. in April
Seven Holly: Elder Uriah Parker; 1st Sat. and Sun. in March
Healthy Plain: Elder Fred Dildy; 3rd Sat. and Sun. in March
Fountain Hill: Elder Levie Edwards; 4th Sat. and Sun. in Jan.
Williams Chapel: Elder Arthur Dildy, 2nd Sat. and Sun. in March.
Jerusalem Grove: Elder Ernest Melton; 1st Sat. and Sun. in March
Mt. Gallilee: Elder Warren Melton; 4th Sat. and Sun. in Jan.
Jones Hill: Elder Warren Melton; 2nd Sat. and Sun. in March
Oxhanox: Elder David Bullock; 3rd Sat. and Sun. in Feb.
St. John: Elder David Bullock; 1st Sat. and Sun. in Jan.
Hope to Live: Elder Ernest Melvin; 4th Sat. and Sun. May

NAMES OF DEACONS AND THEIR ADDRESSES

Deacon Rothwell Lock, Rt. 2, Box 197, Greenville, N. C.; PL2-6914
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Deacon Tom Moore, Rt. 1, Fountain, N. C.
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Deacon Willie Moore, RFD 2, Box 205, Farmville, N. C.
Deacon Willie Vines, 1220 Wilson St., Farmville, N. C. SK 3-3675
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Elder Jethro Dickerson, RFD 1, Lucama, N. C.
Elder Levie Edwards, RFD 1, Box 7, Fountain, N. C.
Elder Warren Melton, 113 South Reid St., Wilson, N. C.; Ph. 243-2987
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Elder Marvin Barnes, Farmville, N. C.
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Brother Jack Moore, RFD 1, Box 75, Farmville, N. C.
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Brother James R. Farmer
Brother Jethro Dickerson, Jr.

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Mt. Zion Grove: Sister Ofellia Cox
Cobb's Chapel: Sister Lena Joyner,
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Seven Holly: Sister Mary Parker, South Main St., Farmville, N. C.
Union Grove: Sister Penina Barnes, 1006 Mercer St., Wilson, N. C.
Healthy Plain: Sister Louise Lindsey
Low Level: Sister Mabel Vine, Fountain, N. C.
Fountain Hill: Martha Morgan, P. O. Fountain, N. C.
Jerusalem Grove: Sister Mary Bynum, 129, Narrow Way St., Wilson
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Mt. Gallilee: Sister Channie Parker, Rt. 3, Kenly, N. C.
Jones Hill: Sister Georgia Pope, Rt. 3, Box 77, Wilson, N. C.
Oxhanox: Sister Mattie Lee Bullock, Rt. 1, Box 206A, Stantonsburg N. C.; Ph. 238-3198
St. John: Sister Truemiller Lucas, 508 Walnut St. Wilson, N. C.
Hope to Live: Sister Irella Kelly, Wilson, N. C.

OBITUARIES

MARCELUS FARMER

Brother Marcelus Farmer united to the church of Jones Hill Nov. 5, 1964 and departed this life Nov. 28, living with us just a few days. Then God called him from labor to reward.

Written by the Clerk, Sister Georgia Pope.

PAULINE JOYNER

Sister Pauline Joyner united to the church of Jones Hill Nov. 14, 1965; departed this life December 14, 1965, making her stay in the church one month. Then as a flower, was plucked from among us. We feel our loss is heaven's gain.

Written by the Clerk, Sister Georgia Pope.

EDGAR DEW

Brother Edgar Dew united to the church of Jones Hill March 16, 1965. Departed this life Feb. 5, 1966, living with us just a few days. However, he was strong in the faith and proved faithful until the end. Sleep on, brother, we hope to meet you in that great Beyond.

Written by the Clerk, Sister Georgia Pope.

GENEVA JOYNER

Sister Geneva Joyner united to the church of Mt. Gallilee in 1955 and she never gave the church any trouble and went until her health failed. We loved her but God loved her best.

Written by the Clerk.

Sister Rosa Farmer united to the church of Harpers Chapel, Nov. 20, 1960 and she was a faithful sister and always did her part as far as she could and her health permitted her. She filled her seat as long as she could. We miss her. She will always be in our memory. We loved her but God loved herbest.We do believe she is at rest.

Written by the Clerk, Sister Maggie Williams.

ANDORA SHELLY

Sister Andora Shelly united to the church of Seven Holly June, 1943. She proved faithful until the end. She departed this life Nov. 23, 1965. She is gone but not forgotten. Sleep on, Sister and take your rest. We loved you, but God loved you best.

Written by the Clerk of Seven Holly Church.

TOMMY DIXON

On December 1, 1964 it pleased the Almighty God to call from labor to reward our beloved Brother and a dear husband, Tommy Dixon. He was born January 10, 1889 and died December 1, 1964. He united with the church at Cobbs Chapel in 1950. He always filled his seat when he was able. He was sick ten years. He always pulled his part whatever the church put on him to pay.

There's not a doubt upon my mind
But victory he obtained.
Although he's left me here behind,
I hope we'll meet again.

Written by his wife, in behalf of Cobb Chapel Church.

CHURCH COVENANT

Having been led as we believe by the Spirit of God, to receive the Lord Jesus Christ our Savior, and on the profession of our faith, having been baptized in the name of the Father, Son and Holy Ghost, we do now in the presence of God, His angels and this assembly, most solemnly enter into a covenant with one another as one body in Christ, to endeavor by the aid of the Holy Spirit to walk together in Christian love to strive for the advancement of the churches in knowledge and holiness, to hold it in our affections, prayers and services above every organization of human origin, to sustain its worship, order and discipline, the doctrine of predestination, election and grace, to contribute cheerfully and regularly as God has prospered us, and for the relief of afflicted members; in case of a difference of opinion in the churches we will strive to avoid a contentious spirit. We further engage to watch over, to pray for, to exhort and stir up each other unto every good word and to guard each other's reputation, not needlessly exposing the infirmities of others, to be slow to give or take offence but always ready for reconciliation, being mindful of the rules of the Savior in the 18th chapter of Matthew. Secure it without delay, through life amid evil and good report, to the glory of God, who hath called us out of darkness into His marvelous light. Now may the Spirit of God be joined upon us to carry out this covenant one with another throughout the Union Primitive Baptist Association.

Written this 28th day of January, 1955, by Elder David Bynum, Moderator of the Union Association. Signed by other officers of the Association.

ELDER DAVID BULLOCK, Moderator
ELDER URIAH PARKER, Ass't Mod.
BROTHER JOHN H. COOPER, Clerk
DEA. ARTHUR COUNCIL, Ass't Clerk

A PEACEMEETING, HELD JULY 28, 1939

Elder S. E. Hemby, Moderator of the Union Association held a peace meeting at Fountain Hill Church. He called the several Primitive Baptist Associations together. The Moderators from the different Associations met on that day and all agreed on in one accord and sweet fellowship one with another. We feel it was the mercy of the blessed Lord with us that day, as we all came in peace and sweet fellowship with the dear brethren.

Written by Deacon Eddie Ricks of Union Grove Church. This meeting opened at 11 a.m. and closed at 3 p.m.

RULES OF DECORUM

1. No member shall be received from a sister Church without a letter of dismission.

2. If a members is given to raising confusion in the church, whether minister or member, the church must at once take steps to exclude such member.

3. No member shall be allowed to visit ball rooms or parties, and

if they do, they will be in the hands of the church and will be excluded from the church.

4. Members who will not obey rules which are simple and easy, will not be held.

5. When a member has been excluded for violating the rules of the church, comes back and makes confession before the church, it is the duty of the church to receive the member. If there be any through malice not willing to receive a member, they shall be in the hands of the church.

6. Each church shall fast three times each year.

7. No ordained church of the same faith shall be nearer than seven miles.

8. Any member who calls for their name and keeps it in his or her pocket over three months is considered out of the church.

9. Any member failing to attend three successive quarterly meetings without sickness, shall be in the hands of the church.

10. All Elders and Ministers of the Association shall hereafter return their credentials and licenses to the Association at its annual meeting, that they may be in possession of the Association in case it has anything against the Elder or Minister.

11. All churches of this Association shall have ordained deacons if they possibly can.

12. No licensed Minister shall be ordained in this Association without first building up a church and receiving two or three members or except some church called for him for their pastor. Then he must preach a trial sermon before three or more Elders. Then he shall be fit for ordination.

13. Any church belonging to the Union Association, if cut off or dropped by an act of this body or a Union Meeting, no brother or brothers shall take it up, neither any Association with whom we correspond. Such church shall be received only by petitionary letters to the union.

14. We especially prohibit any member belonging to the Union Association to join any secret organization. If any member joins such society, they shall not be held by any church belonging to the Union Association. If any church knowingly holds such members, it shall be dropped by the Association.

15. If a member is known going around sowing discord wrongfully against a member, he is in the hands of the church.

16. If a member walks up and withdraws fellowship from another without complying with the 18th chapter of Matthew, he is in the hands of the church.

ELDER DAVID BULLOCK, Moderator
ELDER URIAH PARKER, Ass't Mod.
BROTHER JOHN H. COOPER, Clerk
DEA. ARTHUR COUNCIL, Ass't Clerk

ARTICLES OF FAITH

1. We believe in one true and living God, that there are three persons in the Godhead, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost.

2. We believe that the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments are the words of God, and the only rule of faith and practice.

3. We believe in the doctrine of man's impotency to recover himself from the fallen state he is in by nature, of his own free will or ability.

4. We believe that sinners are justified in the sight of God only by the imputed righteousness of Christ.

5. We believe in the doctrine of eternal, particular election.

6. We believe that God's elect shall be called, converted and sanctified by the Holy Ghost.

7. We believe that the saints shall be preserved in grace and never finally fall.

8. We believe that baptism, the Lord's Supper and washing the saints' feet are ordinances, and the true mode of baptism is immersion.
9. We believe in the resurrection of the dead. We believe that the punishment of the wicked will be everlasting and the joys of the righteous shall be eternal.
10. We believe that no minister has the right to administer the ordinance of baptism and the Lord's Supper except such as are regularly ordained by a presbytery.

STATISTICAL TABLE

CHURCHES	PASTORS	MESSENGERS	Sun. of Meeting	Rec'd by Baptism	Rec'd by Letter	Restored to Fel.	Dis'd by Letter	Excluded	Deceased	Tot. Membership	Contribution
Harpers Chapel	Warren Melton	Deacon Governor Barnes	3	1	....	1	....	....	1	26	$38.00
Tyson Creek	Uriah Parker	Deacons Willie Green, Willie Moore	4	....	....	....	....	....	1	27	26.00
Oaky Grove	David Bullock	Deacon Arthur Council	4	....	....	....	....	....	....	40	54.50
Mt. Zion Grove	Levie Edwards	Deacon Charlie Mills	3	....	....	....	....	....	....	18	29.00
Cobbs Chapel	Uriah Parker	Deacon Willie Vine	3	....	....	....	....	....	1	23	30.00
Friendship	Jethro Dickerson	Deacon Perlie Finch	3	2	....	....	....	....	1	45	50.15
Seven Holly	Uriah Parker	Deacon James Parker	1	3	....	2	4	....	2	60	71.25
Union Grove	David Bullock	Deacon Johnnie Woodard	2	2	....	2	....	3	....	56	64.50
Healthy Plain	Fred Dildy	Deacon Willie Moore	3	....	1	....	....	....	....	8	9.50
Low Level	Uriah Parker	Deacons Tom Moore, John Ellis, Jr.	2	....	....	....	....	....	....	5	7.00
Fountain Hill	Levie Edwards	Deacon Governor Barnes	4	....	....	....	....	....	....	9	14.00
Jerusalem Grove	Ernest Melton	Deacon Johnnie Woodard	1	....	....	....	....	....	....	14	18.00
Williams Chapel	Arthur Dildy	Deacon Willie Vine	2	....	1	....	....	1	....	10	14.00
Mt. Galilee	Warren Melton	Deacon Fred Bryant	4	....	....	....	2	....	....	17	18.50
Jones Hill	Warren Melton	Deacon Johnnie Finch	2	7	....	....	....	....	1	50	72.50
Oxhanox	David Bullock	Deacon Johnnie Woodard	3	....	....	....	....	....	1	7	11.00
St. John	David Bullock	Deacon Charlie Hines	1	....	....	....	....	....	....	12	13.00
Hope to Live	Ernest Melton	Deacon Perlie Finch	4	....	....	....	....	....	....	8	5.00

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1968

Next Association will be held at the Friendship Church near Lucama, N. C., leaving Wilson going south, take 301 highway past Wiggins Mill. Keep straight past two black-top roads on right and turn on the third black-top road. You can see the church on the right from the highway. Starting Friday before the first Sunday in October, 1969. Church about 8 miles from Wilson, N. C.

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Proceedings

Of the Ninety-Eighth Annual Session of the Union Primitive Baptist Association, convened with the Church of Mt. Zion Grove, near Greenville, N. C., starting October 4, 1968.

FRIDAY MORNING SESSION—October 4, 1968

Service was opened by praise and prayer. Sang hymn 397 lined by Deacon William Pender. Prayer offered by Deacon Johnnie Woodard. Then the Moderator rose and read a scriptural lesson. He read Psalm 121 and read the whole chapter.

According to the Arrangement Committee in 1967, Elder Ernest Melton was to preach the introduction sermon. He arose and sang hymn 297, his text Matthew 28. Then the Moderator arose and preached the alternate sermon. He sang hymn 533 and his text was Luke 19. Then the Moderator called Elder Booker Hairston from the Chestnut Knob Association to preach. He arose and bore witness with the foregoing Elders and preached a wonderful sermon. Then the Moderator arose and announced an open door of the Church for new members to fellowship and sang a closing hymn 185 and closed for recess for about one hour. Benediction by the Moderator, Elder David Bullock.

Elder David Bullock, Moderator
Brother John H. Cooper, Clerk
Deacon Arthur Council, Ass't Clerk
Deacon James Parker, Text Reporter

FRIDAY EVENING SESSION

After recess for about one hour the delegates all met with the Moderator present. Moved and seconded conference be opened by praise and prayer. Sang hymn 41 lined by the Moderator. Prayer offered by Brother John H. Cooper. Then the Moderator arose and read a scripture lesson. He read Matthew 7:13-23. Then the Moderator pronounced conference open for business.

Moved and second the delegates all retire and choose a

Moderator and Clerk and all other officers for 1969. It pleased the minds of the delegates to choose for their Moderator for 1969 Elder David Bullock. He chose for his Assistant Elder Arthur Dildy. Brother John H. Cooper was chosen for their Clerk for 1969. He chose for his Assistant Deacon Arthur Council. Deacon James Parker was chosen for the Text Reporter from day to day. Deacon William Pender was chosen for the Association Treasurer. Deacon Arthur Council and Deacon William Pender was chosen for State Deacons. They chose for their Assistants Deacons R. W. Lock and Deacon Charlie Hines.

Deacon Charlie Mills was chosen for Finance Committee. Deacon Arthur Council and Deacon Willie Vine to assist.

Elder David Bullock, Elder Warren Melton, Elder Fred Dildy were chosen for Arrangement Committee on Preaching.

Elder David Bullock, Deacon R. W. Lock, Deacon Arthur Council and Deacon William Pender were chosen for Building Committee.

Moved and second we invite our visiting delegates to sit with us and feel themselves welcome in our conference. Moved and second the names of the churches be called and enrolled and absentees noted. All present. See statistical table.

Moved and second the Arrangement Committee on Preaching make their report. They send to the stand to open, Elder James Hoskin; Brother James Finch to follow; Elder Jimmie Woodard to follow him. Move and second our visiting delegates be called and enrolled and absentees noted. All present but 1. Mt. Zion, absent. Moved and second the delegates make their report.

Harpers Chapel in peace by Deacon Governor Barnes.
Tyson Creek in peace by Deacon Willie Moore.
Oaky Grove in peace by Deacon Earnest Bullock.
Mt. Zion Grove in peace by Deacon Charlie Mills.
Cobbs Chapel in peace by Deacon Willie Vine.
Friendship in peace by Deacon Perlie Finch.
Seven Holly in peace by Deacon Arthur Council.

Union Grove in peace by Deacon Johnnie Woodard.
Healthy Plain in peace by Deacon Willie Moore.
Low Level in peace by Deacon Tom Moore.
Fountain Hill in peace by Deacon John Ellis, Jr.
Jerusalem Grove in peace by Deacon Johnnie Woodard.
Williams Chapel in peace by Deacon Willie Vine.
Mt. Gallilee in peace by Deacon Johnnie Finch.
Jones Hill in peace by Deacon William Pender.
Oxhanox in peace by Deacon Johnnie Woodard.
St. John in peace by Deacon Charlie Hines.
Hope to Live in peace by Deacon Perlie Finch.

Moved and seconded the reports from the several delegates be received. Move and seconded our visiting delegates make their report.

Radicue in peace by Elder Willie Bullock with a file of minutes..

Corresponding in peace by Elder Leroy Outerbridge. Their next setting will be at the church at Enoch near Bethel in city limits, starting Friday before the second Sunday in October, 1968 with a file of minutes.

Loving in peace by their Moderator. Their next setting will be at the Edney Chapel Church on highway 258 about 9 miles west of Jacksonville, N. C., starting Friday before the fourth Sunday in September, 1969 with a file of minutes.

Mt. Pleasant in peace by Elder Beaufort Lee. Their next setting will be at the New Mt. Zion Church in Cleveland, Ohio on California St. starting Friday before the fourth Sunday in October, 1968 with a file of minutes.

Piedmont in peace by Elder J. B. McLaughlin. Their next setting will be at the Piney Grove Church. Go to Rocky Mount, Va., turn left at the first stop light on highway 40 starting Friday before the fourth Sunday in Septemper, 1969 with a file of minutes.

Roanoke in peace by Elder Richard Stephen. Their next setting will be held at the Association Center near Whitmore, starting Friday before the fourth Sunday in July, 1969 with a file of minutes. Chestnut Knob in peace by

Elder Booker Hairston. Their next setting will be at the Church of Rockhill. Go to Danville, Va. Take 58 highway. Go to Martinsville, Va. Turn right on 57. Church about one mile starting Friday before the second Sunday in August, 1969 with a file of minutes. Long Branch in peace by Elder James Harrell. Their next setting will be at the Logsboro Church, starting Friday before the third Sunday in October with a file of minutes.

Contentnea in peace by Elder L. H. Coley there next setting at Bellamy Chapel in Sharpsburg, N. C. starting Friday before the fourth Sunday in October, 1968 with a file of minutes.

Sandy Ridge in peace by Elder Walter T. Wade. Their next setting will be at the Church of Little Richmond, starting Friday before the third Sunday in October, 1968. The Church located about 40 miles west of Winston-Salem with a file of minutes.

Bethlehem in peace by Elder Ruffin Hymon. Their next setting will be at the Antioch Church at Kingsburg, starting Friday before the second Sunday in October, 1968 with a file of minutes.

Coopers Grove in peace by their Moderator. Their next setting will be at the Association Ground, starting Saturday before the third Sunday in August, 1969 with no minutes. Little River in peace by Elder Earl Holt. Their next setting will be at the Mt Moriah Church in Smithfield, N. C., starting Friday before the second Sunday October 1968 with a file of minutes.

Tar River in peace by Elder Gilford Sledge. Their next setting will be at Paul Chapel Church on old Stantonsburg Road, staring Friday before the third Sunday in October, 1968 with a file of minutes.

Moved and second the reports from the delegates be received by the Moderator extending the right hand of fellowship to the messengers.

Moved and second petitionary letters be called for if there be any. The Moderator of the Loving Association asked for Elder Robert Daniel to pastor Hartsville Chapel

Church for 1968 and 1969 on the First Sunday of the month. It was granted by the conference. Moved and second the Moderator and Clerk write the Corresponding and Circular Letters. Moved and second the Moderator and Clerk have a thousand minutes printed and distributed among the churches.

Moved and seconded that the conference begin tomorrow at 10:00 o'clock.

Moved and second if no other business, conference adjourn until tomorrow at 10:00. Sang hymn 506 lined by the Moderator. Benediction by Elder Arthur Dildy the Assistant Moderator.

Elder David Bullock, Moderator
Elder Arthur Dildy, Ass't Moderator
Brother John H. Cooper, Clerk
Deacon Arthur Council, Assistant Clerk
Deacon James Parker, Text Reporter

FRIDAY EVENING AT THE STAND

Elder James Hoskins opened service by singing hymn 353. Prayer offered by Deacon James Parker. Elder Earnest Melton rose and read a scripture lesson. He read the first chapter of Psalms. Then Elder James Hoskins called Brother James Finch to preach. He arose and sang hymn 288 and preached wonderfully. Elder Jimmie Woodard followed him. He arose, sang hymn 141 and preached a wonderful sermon. Then Elder Hoskins rose and announced an open door of the church for new members to fellowship and sang hymn 2 and closed. Benediction by Elder Hoskins. Public collection $12.90. —Deacon James Parker, text reporter.

FRIDAY NIGHT SESSION

Deacon Arthur Council opened service by singing hymn 414. Prayer was offered by Brother John H. Cooper. Then the Moderator rose and called the Assistant Moderator to read a scripture lesson. He arose and read Matthew 5, beginning at the First verse down to the 14th verse. Then the Moderator arose and called Elder Lester Moye. He

arose and his text was the 14th chapter of John. Then the Moderator arose and called Elder Arthur Dildy. He arose, sang hymn 41. His text St. John 15. Then the Moderator arose and called Elder Beauford Lee from the Mt. Pleasant Association. He arose, sang hymn 364, his text Isaiah 2. Then the Moderator arose and called Elder J. B. McLaughlin from the Piedmont Association. He arose, sang hymn 380, his text Psalm 89 and the 37th verse. Then the Moderator arose and announced an open door of the church for new members to fellowship. Sang hymn 383 and closed. Benediction by Elder Arthur Dildy. Public collection $16.53.

—Deacon James Parker, Text Reporter

SATURDAY MORNING SESSION

Service began with the Moderator present. Sang hymn 514 lined by the Moderator. Prayer offered by Deacon William Pender.

Moved and second there would be a scripture lesson read. The Moderator arose and called the Assistant Moderator to read a scripture lesson. He arose and read John 15:1-8. Then the Moderator pronounced conference open for business.

Moved and second we invite our visiting delegates to sit with us in our conference and feel themselves welcome.

Moved and second the several delegates' names be called and enrolled and absentees noted. All present. Moved and second our visiting delegates' names be called and enrolled and absentees noted. All present but one. Mt. Zion absent.

Moved and second Arrangement Committee on Preaching make their report. They sent to the stand to open, Elder Jethro Dickerson, Elder Willie Bullock to follow. Elder Rufus Parker to follow him. Elder Richard Stephen to follow him. Moved and second the Friday evening session be read, approved and adopted.

Moved and second the minutes be received with necessary corrections if there be any.

Moved and second the delegates all retire and decide among themselves where the next association will go and

who will preach the introduction sermon and the alternate sermon. It pleased the minds of the delegates to send the next association to the Church of Friendship with Elder Ruffus Parker to preach the introduction sermon and Elder Warren Melton to preach the alternate sermon.

Moved and second we get our messengers to visit sister association with whom we correspond.

Radicue: Elder Levi Edwards go in 1969.
Bethlehem: Elder Warren Melton go in 1968.
Corresponding: Elder Fred Dildy go i1968.
Corresponding: Elder Fred Dildy go in 1968.
Long Branch: Elder David Bullock go in 1968.
Little River: Elder James Hoskins go in 1968.
Contentnea: Brother James Finch go in 1968.
Loving: Elder Jack Moore go in 1968.
Mt. Pleasant: Brother Toney Parker go in 1968.
Mt. Zion: Elder Marvin Barnes go in 1969.
Piedmont: Elder Jethro Dickerson, Jr. go in 1969.
Sandy Ridge: Elder Leslie Moye go in 1968.
Roanoke: Elder James Hoskin go in 1969.
Chestnut Knob: Brother Toney Parker go in 1969.
Cooper Grove: Elder Ruffus Parker go in 1969.
Tar River: Elder James Avery go in 1968.

Moved and second petitionary letters be called for if there be any. Elder John Charles from the Long Branch Association petitioned for Deacon Charlie Mills to work with them as Deacon at Tar River Church in 1969. It was granted by the conference. Moved and second if no other business, conference adjourn until this evening. Sang hymn 506 lined by the Moderator. Benediction by Elder A. H. Humphrey.

Elder David Bullock, Moderator
Elder Arthur Dildy, Ass't Moderator
Brother John H. Cooper, Clerk
Deacon Arthur Council, Ass't Clerk
Deacon James Parker, Text Reporter

SATURDAY MORNING AT STAND

Elder Jethro Dickerson opened service by singing hymn 615 and offered prayer. Then called Elder Willie Bullock from the Radicue Association. He arose and preached his text Genesis 2. Elder Ruffus Parker followed him. He arose and preached a wonderful sermon. Elder Richard Stephen from the Roanoke Association arose, sang hymn 393, text Matthew 2:13, Abide in the Word. Elder Richard Anderson followed him. He arose and preached wonderfully. He is from the Tar River Association. Elder James Harrell from the Long Branch Association. He arose and preached wonderfully. Elder Sledge from the Tar River Association followed him. He arose, sang hymn 400 and preached wonderfully. Elder Jethro Dickerson arose and announced an open door of the Church for new members to fellowship and sang hymn 41. Benediction by Elder Jethro Dickerson. Public collection $41.00.

SATURDAY EVENING SESSION

Service began with the Moderator present. Sang hymn 76 lined by the Moderator. Prayer offered by Elder Warren Melton.

Moved and second there would be a scripture lesson read. The Moderator rose and read Matthew 20, beginning at the First verse and read down to the 17th verse.

Moved and second we invite our visiting brethren to sit with us in our conference and feel themselves welcome. Moved and second the several delegates' names be called and enrolled and absentees noted. All present. Moved and second the visiting delegates' names be called and enrolled and absentees noted. All present but one. Mt. Zion absent.

Moved and second Arrangement Committee on Preaching make their report. They sent to the stand to open Elder Warren Melton. Elder Earl Holt to follow. Elder Otterbridge to follow; Elder L. H. Coley to follow.

Moved and second the Saturday morning session be read, approved and adopted.

Moved and second the minutes be received with necessary corrections if there be any.

Moved and second the several delegates' names be called and contribution taken up. See Statistical Table. Received from the churches $552.35. Public collection $213.14. Total $765.49.

Moved and second old Treasurer make his report. He reported $151.88. Moved and second the report be received.

Moved and second Finance Committee make their report. They reported $552.35.

Moved and second the reports be received.

Moved and second the association pay off her expense. It was agreed, which was $465.14, leaving a balance to go to the association Treasury, $300.35 with $151.88 brought forward from 1967, making a total in Treasury this day, October 5, 1968—$452.23.—Deacon William Pender, Association Treasurer.

Moved and second we have a church form printed in the back of the minutes.

Moved and second the association fees for male members be $3.00; female members be $2.00. Moved and seconded every member belonging to the Union Line Primitive Baptist Association pay $2.00 every union.

Moved and second if a member belonging to the Union Line Primitive Baptist Association fails to pay his or her dues, they are in the hands of the church. It was agreed by the conference.

Moved and seconded worship to begin tomorrow at 10:00 o'clock. Moved and seconded if no other business conference adjourn until 1969.

Sang hymn 188 lined by the Moderator. Benediction by the Moderator.

Elder David Bullock, Moderator
Elder Arthur Dildy, Ass't Moderator
Brother John H. Cooper, Clerk
Deacon Arthur Council, Ass't Clerk
Deacon James Parker, Text Reporter

SATURDAY EVENING AT THE STAND

Elder Warren Melton opened service by singing hymn 73. Prayer offered by Elder Ernest Melton. Then Elder Warren Melton arose and read a scripture lesson. He read Matthew 24 and called Elder Earl Holt to preach. He arose and preached wonderfully. Elder Otterbridge from the Corresponding Association arose, sang hymn 188, text Psalm 120. Elder L. H. Coley from Contentnea Association followed. He arose, sang hymn 41 and preached wonderfully. Elder J. B. McLaughlin from the Piedmont Association followed him. He arose, sang hymn 74, his text was Matthew 24:29. Then Elder Warren Melton arose and announced an open door of the church for new members to fellowship and sang hymn 355 for closing. Benediction by the Moderator. Public collection, $23.00.

SATURDAY NIGHT SESSION

Service began by singing hymn 530, lined by Deacon Arthur Council. Prayer offered by Deacon William Perris from the Loving Association. Then the Moderator arose and read a scripture lesson. He read Luke 4:1-9. Then called Elder James Hoskins to preach. He arose, sang hymn 144 and preached wonderfully. Then the Moderator arose and called Brother Toney Parker to preach. He arose and his text was Daniel 8:14. Then the Moderator arose and called Elder Wade from the Sandy Ridge Association. He arose and preached his text from Isaiah 6:1. Then the Moderator arose and called Elder Beaufort Lee from the Mt. Pleasant Association. He arose, sang hymn 2 and preached a wonderful sermon. Then the Moderator arose and called the Moderator from the Loving Association, Elder A. H. Humphrey. He arose and his text was St. John 15. Then the Assistant Moderator arose and opened the doors of the church for new members to fellowship. Sang hymn 168 for closing. Benediction by Elder Earnest Melton. Public collection. $28.15.

SUNDAY MORNING SESSION

The delegates all met with the Moderator present. Service was opened by singing hymn 188 lined by Deacon Johnnie Woodard. Prayer offered by Deacon Willie Ellis.

Moved and second there would be a scripture lesson read. The Moderator arose and read the scripture lesson. He read Matthew 25 then called Elder Jethro Dickerson Jr. to preach. He arose and sang hymn 41 and preached wonderfully. Then the Moderator arose and called Elder Earl Holt from the Little River Association. He arose, sang hymn 393 and preached a wonderful sermon. Then the Moderator arose and called Elder Burt Newton from the Radicue Association. He arose, sang hymn 364 and bore witness with the leading Elders. Then the Moderator arose and called Elder Richard Stephen from the Roanoke Association. He arose, sang hymn 629, text Matthew 3:9. Then the Moderator arose and called Elder Ruffin Hyman from the Bethlehem Association. He arose and preached a wonderful sermon. Then the Moderator arose and called Elder Cecil Alston, the Moderator of the Cooper's Grove Association. He arose, sang hymn 278, text Acts 9. Then the Moderator arose and called Elder Wade from the Sandy Ridge Association. He arose, sang hymn 618 and bore witness with the foregoing Elders and preached wonderfully. The Moderator arose and called the Moderator of the Tar River Association, Elder G. C. Payton. He arose, sang hymn 689, text Luke 8. Then the Moderator called the pastor of the church, Elder Levie Edwards. He arose and preached wonderfully and announced open the doors of the church for new members to fellowship and sang closing hymn 200. Benediction by Elder Dildy. Public collection $94.11.

Elder David Bullock, Moderator
Elder Arthur Dildy, Ass't Moderator
Brother John H. Cooper, Clerk
Deacon Arthur Council, Ass't Clerk
Deacon James Parker, Text Reporter

CIRCULAR LETTER

Dear Brethren in Christ,—I trust this is a great pleasure to have the privilege of writing you this epistle of love. I am glad to have all of you in our association and to have such rich gospel of Jesus Christ preached by all of our visiting ministers. We thank God for blessing us with the Holy Spirit. We thank God for blessing us to meet in peace and love. Come back to see us again.

May God bless you all. Amen.

CORRESPONDING LETTER

Dear Brethren in Christ,—I am glad and thankful to God Who blessed us to sit together in another association in brotherly love and in spirit with one another. I hope it will continue so long as time shall last. Let us always look forward to one eternal and all wise God Who has all power. We trust to meet again from north, south, east and west. Now may God bless all of you and come to see us.

Done by order of conference.

OFFICERS' SALARIES

Moderator	$25.00
Assistant Moderator	12.50
Clerk	25.00
Assistant Clerk	12.50
Text Reporter	10.00

Collected from the association	$552.35
Public collection	213.14
Paid out for expense	465.14
Balance from 1968	300.35
Brought forward from 1967	151.88
Total in Treasury	$452.23

Left in Treasury this day October 5, 1968.

—Deacon William Pender, Treasurer

Finance Committee: Deacon Charlie Mills, Deacon Arthur Council, Deacon Willie Vine.

Building Committee: Elder David Bullock, Deacon R. W. Lock, Deacon Arthur Council, Deacon William Pender.

OUR VISITING BRETHREN

Elder William Braswell from Bethlehem Association
Elder Richard Anderson from Tar River Association
Elder Burt Newton from Radicue Association
Deacon George Keeling from Roanoke Association
Deacon William Pervis from Loving Association
Elder Grover Payton from Tar River Association
Elder Soldier Hairston from the Sandy Ridge Association
Elder Eckridge from Sandy Ridge Association

To the visiting brethren: Due to the crowd of visitors, I am sure we did not enroll all of your names but we did the best we could. We want to extend to you a hearty welcome. We are glad to have you all come to see us any time you can and we hope and trust in the Lord that our correspondence will continue as long as time remains. Pray for us, brethren, that we may keep up the good old way until traveling days are done.

OBITUARY

SISTER MARY EVERETTE

Sister Mary Everette departed this life in May, 1968. She served as assistant mother at Jones Hill Church for a number of years. She was a faithful and dutiful member. She bore her sickness with patience and was faithful to the end. We loved her and will miss her. We hope to meet her in that great beyond. Where Jesus is it's Heaven there.

Written by the Clerk of Jones Hill Church, Sister Georgia Pope.

SISTER ROXIE B. WILLIAMS

Sister Roxie B. Williams united to Harpers Chapel Church the third Sunday in July, 1956 in the year of 1959. She came forth for a mother and she served faithfully in her work whatever came up. She was ready to do her part. She would always say she wanted the Lord to say Well done. She went until her health failed her. When we would go to see her she would talk about her Savior. So sleep on, Mother Williams, and take your rest. We loved you but God loved you best.

Written by Sister Maggie Williams.

SISTER THELMA GAY

Sister Thelma Gay united to Harpers Chapel Church April 14, 1962 and she proved faithful in every way toward her church. Whatever came up to do she was willing to do her part. In March of 1968 she came forth as a mother and she proved the mothership. She will be missed. Her seat is vacant but she is not dead. She is just away. She would always say I want to be robed and ready. So sleep on, Mother Gay, and take your rest. We loved you but God loves you best.

Written by Sister Maggie Williams.

BROTHER ROBERT ELLIS

Brother Robert Ellis united to the church of Union Grove in 1962; departed this life Nov. 1968. He was a loving brother. His life was short with us but in our memories he keeps lingering, even though he is gone.

Written by the Clerk, Sister Penina Barnes.

SISTER MAMIE HOGANS

Sister Mamie Hogans united to the Church of Union Grove May 8, 1943; departed this life May 9, 1968. She was a loving and faithful sister. Her hard laboring for her church still lives in the heart of Union Grove members.

Written by the Clerk, Sister Penina Barnes.

BROTHER FRANK SIMMS

Brother Frank Simms departed this life August 13, 1968. He joined Jerusalem Grove Church in 1958 and was a faithful member until death. He bore his sickness with patience. We the members of Jerusalem Grove loved him and will miss him but God knows best. We hope to meet him again in that great getting up morning when parting will be no more.

Written by the Clerk, Sister Mary Bynum.

SISTER ALVINA SLEDGE

Sister Sledge departed this life on December 21, 1968. She was 91 years old. She joined the Tyson Creek Church in early life and was an active member for more than 50 years until her death. She was a loving lady and had love and affection for all those around her. She bore her sickness and grief patiently. We will all miss her firm handshake and hope to meet her again some day.

BROTHER ISAAC BRIDGES

Brother Isaac Bridges united to the church of Jones Hill in 1962. Departed this life September 9, 1968. He always filled his seat until his health failed him and prevented him from doing so. He was a loving brother and was always glad to see some of his brethren to come to see him. He was strong in the faith until he died. We will miss him, yet God's will must be done. The Lord gave and the Lord taketh away. Blessed be the name of the Lord.

Written by the Clerk of Jones Hill Church, Sister Georgia Pope.

SISTER MAMIE SPEIGHT

Sister Mammie Speight united to the Church of Jones Hill July, 1964. Departed this life September 9, 1968. She was a good and loving sister and was always ready and willing to do her part whatever came up to do. We the church of Jones Hill will miss her but we feel our loss is Heaven's gain. We loved you but God loves you best. So sleep on and take your rest.

Written by the Clerk of Jones Hill Church, Sister Georgia Pope.

SISTER BESSIE SHARP FARMER

Sister Bessie Sharp Farmer united to the church of Oaky Grove Nov. 1955. She was a faithful member. Her faith was strong in the Lord. She loved her church and did all she could to help. We the members of Oaky Grove will miss her, yet we know God has done His will and we must be still to know He is God. She is not dead but resting from her labor.

Written by the Clerk, Sister Velma Lillie Barnes.

SISTER CORA APPLE WHITE

Sister Cora Apple White united to Oaky Grove Church the fourth Saturday in January, 1968. She was a kind and loving sister. She is not dead. She is just away. The members of Oaky Grove will miss her. She is gone to that bright city where congregations never break up and sabbaths never end.

Written by the Clerk of Oaky Grove, Sister Velma Lillie Barnes.

SISTER MAMIE HARRIS CARNEY

Sister Mamie Harris Carney departed this life Sept. 6, 1968 after a lingering illness. She was a member of the Tyson Creek Primitive Baptist Church for a number of years and remained active and served well until her health failed her. She was a loving sister. She was never too busy to try to do her duty in the church, but today her work is done. Curtains are dropped so we say farewell, sister, take your rest. We loved you but God loves you best. Gone but not forgotten.

BROTHER ROSCOE PARKER

Brother Roscoe Parker was a faithful member of Seven Holly Primitive Baptist Church for 17 years and supported it in every way. He was a peaceful and loving brother. We will miss you but the will of God was done. The Lord gives and the Lord takes away.

Written by the clerk of Seven Holly.

QUARTERLY MEETINGS AND PASTOR'S NAME

Harpers Chapel: Elder Warren Melton; 3rd Sat, and Sun in Feb.
Tyson Creek: Elder Arthur Dildy; 4th Sat. and Sun. in Feb.
Oaky Grove: Elder David Bullock; 4th Sat. and Sun. in March
Low Level: Elder Rufus Parker; 2nd Sat. and Sunday in Jan.
Friendship: Elder Jethro Dickerson; 3rd Saturday and Sun. in April
Union Grove: Elder David Bullock; 2nd Sat. and Sun. in Feb.
Cobbs Chapel: Elder Arthur Dildy; 3rd Sat. and Sun. in March
Mt. Zion Grove: Elder Levi Edwards; 3rd Sat. and Sun. in June
Seven Holly: Elder Rufus Parker; 1st Sat. and Sun. in March
Healthy Plain: Elder Fred Dildy; 3rd Sat. and Sun. in March
Fountain Hill: Elder Levie Edwards; 4th Sat. and Sun. in Jan.
Williams Chapel: Elder Arthur Dildy, 2nd Sat. and Sun. in March.
Jerusalem Grove: Elder Ernest Melton; 1st Sat. and Sun. in March
Mt. Gallilee: Elder Warren Melton; 4th Sat. and Sun. in Jan.
Jones Hill: Elder Warren Melton; 2nd Sat. and Sun. in March
Oxhanox: Elder David Bullock; 3rd Sat. and Sun. in Feb.
St. John: Elder David Bullock; 1st Sat. and Sun. in Jan.
Hope to Live: Elder Ernest Melton, 4th Sat. and Sun. May

NAMES OF DEACONS AND THEIR ADDRESSES

Deacon Rothwell Lock, Rt. 2, Box 197, Greenville, N. C.; PL2-6914
Deacon Arthur Council, Rt. 6, Box 350, Greenville, N. C.; PL 2-6430
Deacon Tom Moore, Rt. 1, Fountain, N. C.
Deacon William Green, Perry St., Box 412, Farmville, N. C.
Deacon Willie Moore, RFD 2, Box 205, Farmville, N. C.
Deacon Willie Vine, 102 Williams St., Farmville, N. C. SK 3-3675
Deacon John Ellis, Jr., RFD, 2, Box 4, Farmville, N. C.
Deacon Johnnie Finch, RFD 1, Box 20, Sims, N. C.
Deacon Ernest Bullock, 1210 E. Nash St., Wilson, N. C.; Ph. 243-4735
Deacon Governor Barnes, RFD 2, Box 258, Farmville, N. C.
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Deacon Willie Pender, RFD 3, Box 90. Wilson, N. C.; Ph. 237-3909
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Deacon Walter Streeter, Rt. 1, Box 339, Farmville, N. C.
Deacon Willie Ellis, 608 Cemetery St., Wilson, N. C.
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Elder David Bullock, RFD 1, Box 206A, Stantonburg, N. C. 238-3198
Elder Jethro Dickerson, RFD 1, Lucama, N. C.
Elder Levie Edwards, RFD 1, Box 7, Fountain, N. C.
Elder Warren Melton, 113 South Reid St., Wilson, N. C.; Ph. 243-2987
Elder Fred Dildy, RFD 1, Box 191, Macclesfield, N. C.
Elder Marvin Barnes, Farmville, N. C.
Elder Ernest Melton, S. Reid St., Wilson, N. C.
Elder Arthur Dildy, 1308 S. Main St., Farmville, N. C.; Ph. SK3-3076
Elder James Hoskin, 322 Finch St., Wilson, N. C.
Elder Jimmie Howard Woodard, P. O. Box 81, Sharpsburg, N. C.
Elder James Avery, Rt. 3, Kenly, N. C.
Elder Robert Daniel, Jr., Rt. 3, Wilson, N. C.
Elder Lester Moye, 300 Cadalic St. Greenville, N. C. PL2-7090
Elder Rufus Parker, Rt. 1, Sims, N. C.
Elder Isaac Bridge, Rt. 3, Box 284, Wilson, N. C.; Ph. 238-3906
Elder Jack Moore, Rt. 1, Box 75, Farmville, N. C.
Eld. Jethroe Dickerson, Jr.,1211 Easterly Av., Hampton, Va.; PA3-8407

LICENSED MINISTERS:

Brother Tony M. Parker, 785 Atlantic St., Stanford, Conn. 348-1168
Brother James Finch, 1207 Lincoln St., Wilson, N. C.; Ph. 237-3731
Brother James R. Farmer
Brother George Bullock, Wilson, N. C.; 237-0328

CLERKS AND THEIR ADDRESSES

Harpers Chapel: Sister Margarett Joyner, 102 Greenfield Blvd., Greenville, N. C.
Tyson Creek: Sister Fabbie Parker, 1009 South George St., Farmville
Oaky Grove: Sister Velma Lillie Barnes, 204 Tacoma St, Wilson, N.C. [Ph. 237-3576
Mt. Zion Grove: Sister Suddie Barrett
Cobb's Chapel: Sister Lena Joyner,
Friendship: Sister Elizabeth Vicks, 1106 Nora St., Wilson, N. C. [Ph. 237-1393
Seven Holly: Sister Mary Parker, South Main St., Farmville, N. C.
Union Grove: Sister Penina Barnes, 1006 Mercer St., Wilson, N. C.
Healthy Plain: Sister Louise Lindsey
Low Level: Sister Mabel Vine, Farmville, N. C.
Fountain Hill: Martha Morgan, P. O. Fountain, N. C.
Jerusalem Grove: Sister Mary Bynum, 129, Narrow Way St., Wilson
Williams Chapel: Sister Gracie Lee Harris, Rt. 1, Box 173, Fountain
Mt. Gallilee: Sister Channie Parker, Rt. 3, Kenly, N. C.
Jones Hill: Sister Georgia Pope, Rt. 3, Box 77, Wilson, N. C.
Oxhanox: Sister Mattie Lee Bullock, Rt. 1, Box 206A, Stantonsburg N. C.; Ph. 238-3198
St. John: Sister Alberta Ward, 635 Lincoln St., Wilson, N. C.; Ph. 243-6819
Hope to Live: Sister Irella Kelly, Wilson, N. C.

CHURCH COVENANT

Having been led as we believe by the Spirit of God, to receive the Lord Jesus Christ our Savior, and on the profession of our faith, having been baptized in the name of the Father, Son and Holy Ghost, we do now in the presence of God, His angels and this assembly,

most solemnly enter into a covenant with one another as one body in Christ, to endeavor by the aid of the Holy Spirit to walk together in Christian love to strive for the advancement of the churches in knowledge and holiness, to hold it in our affections, prayers and services above every organization of human origin, to sustain its worship, order and discipline, the doctrine of predestination, election and grace, to contribute cheerfully and regularly as God has prospered us, and for the relief of afflicted members; in case of a difference of opinion in the churches we will strive to avoid a contentious spirit. We further engage to watch over, to pray for, to exhort and stir up each other unto every good word and to guard each other's reputation, not needlessly exposing the infirmities of others, to be slow to give or take offence but always ready for reconciliation, being mindful of the rules of the Savior in the 18th chapter of Matthew. Secure it without delay, through life amid evil and good report, to the glory of God, who hath called us out of darkness into His marvelous light. Now may the Spirit of God be joined upon us to carry out this covenant one with another throughout the Union Primitive Baptist Association.

Written this 28th day of January, 1955, by Elder David Bynum, Moderator of the Union Association. Signed by other officers of the Association.

ELDER DAVID BULLOCK, Moderator
ELDER ARTHUR DILDY, Ass't Mod.
BROTHER JOHN H. COOPER, Clerk
DEA. ARTHUR COUNCIL, Ass't Clerk

A PEACEMEETING, HELD JULY 28, 1939

Elder S. E. Hemby, Moderator of the Union Association held a peace meeting at Fountain Hill Church. He called the several Primitive Baptist Associations together. The Moderators from the different Associations met on that day and all agreed on in one accord and sweet fellowship one with another. We feel it was the mercy of the blessed Lord with us that day, as we all came in peace and sweet fellowship with the dear brethren.

Written by Deacon Eddie Ricks of Union Grove Church. This meeting opened at 11 a. m. and closed at 3 p. m.

RULES OF DECORUM

1. No member shall be received from a sister Church without a letter of dismission.
2. If a members is given to raising confusion in the church, whether minister or member, the church must at once take steps to exclude such member.
3. No member shall be allowed to visit ball rooms or parties, and if they do, they will be in the hands of the church and will be excluded from the church.
4. Members who will not obey rules which are simple and easy, will not be held.
5. When a member has been excluded for violating the rules of the church, comes back and makes confession before the church, it is the duty of the church to receive the member. If there be any through malice not willing to receive a member, they shall be in the hands of the church.
6. Each church shall fast three times each year.
7. No ordained church of the same faith shall be nearer than seven miles.
8. Any member who calls for their name and keeps it in his or

her pocket over three months is considered out of the church.

9. Any member failing to attend three successive quarterly meetings without sickness, shall be in the hands of the church.

10. All Elders and Ministers of the Association shall hereafter return their credentials and licenses to the Association at its annual meeting, that they may be in possession of the Association in case it has anything against the Elder or Minister.

11. All churches of this Association shall have ordained deacons if they possibly can.

12. No licensed Minister shall be ordained in this Association without first building up a church and receiving two or three members or except some church called for him for their pastor. Then he must preach a trial sermon before three or more Elders. Then he shall be fit for ordination.

13. Any church belonging to the Union Association, if cut off or dropped by an act of this body or a Union Meeting, no brother or brothers shall take it up, neither any Association with whom we correspond. Such church shall be received only by petitionary letters to the union.

14. We especially prohibit any member belonging to the Union Association to join any secret organization. If any member joins such society, they shall not be held by any church belonging to the Union Association. If any church knowingly holds such members, it shall be dropped by the Association.

15. If a member is known going around sowing discord wrongfully against a member, he is in the hands of the church.

16. If a member walks up and withdraws fellowship from another without complying with the 18th chapter of Matthew, he is in the hands of the church.

ELDER DAVID BULLOCK, Moderator
ELDER ARTHUR DILDY, Ass't Mod.
BROTHER JOHN H. COOPER, Clerk
DEA. ARTHUR COUNCIL, Ass't Clerk

ARTICLES OF FAITH

1. We believe in one true and living God, that there are three persons in the Godhead, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost.

2. We believe that the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments are the words of God, and the only rule of faith and practice.

3. We believe in the doctrine of man's impotency to recover himself from the fallen state he is in by nature, of his own free will or ability.

4. We believe that sinners are justified in the sight of God only by the imputed righteousness of Christ.

5. We believe in the doctrine of eternal, particular election.

6. We believe that God's elect shall be called, converted and sanctified by the Holy Ghost.

7. We believe that the saints shall be preserved in grace and never finally fall.

8. We believe that baptism, the Lord's Supper and washing the saints' feet are ordinances, and the true mode of baptism is immersion.

9. We believe in the resurrection of the dead. We believe that the punishment of the wicked will be everlasting and the joys of the righteous shall be eternal.

10. We believe that no minister has the right to administer the ordinance of baptism and the Lord's Supper except such as are regularly ordained by a presbytery.

STATISTICAL TABLE

CHURCHES	PASTORS	MESSENGERS	Sun. of Meeting	By Exp. & Bap.	Rec'd by Letter	Restored of Fel.	Dis'd by Letter	Excluded	Deceased	Tot. Membership	Contribution
Harpers Chapel	Warren Melton	Dea. Governor Barnes, Walter Streeter	3	2	....	....	....	1	1	25	$36.00
Tyson Creek	Arthur Dildy	Deacon Willie Moore, Willie Green	4	1	....	....	....	....	1	24	32.25
Oaky Grove	David Bullock	Deacon Ernest Bullock	4	1	1	1	....	....	4	31	48.00
Mt. Zion Grove	Levie Edwards	Deacon Charlie Mills	3	....	....	....	....	....	....	18	19.35
Cobbs Chapel	Arthur Dildy	Deacon Willie Vine	3	....	....	....	....	....	....	19	24.00
Friendship	Jethro Dickerson	Deacon Pearlie Finch	3	....	....	....	....	....	2	35	42.75
Seven Holly	Rufus Parker	Deacon Arthur Council, James Parker	1	1	....	....	....	....	2	57	77.00
Union Grove	David Bullock	Deacon Johnnie Woodard	2	2	....	....	....	....	1	55	85.00
Healthy Plain	Fred Dildy	Deacon Willie Moore	3	....	....	....	....	....	....	8	13.00
Low Level	Rufus Parker	Deacon Tom Moore, John Ellie, Jr.	2	....	....	....	....	....	....	5	8.00
Fountain Hill	Levie Edwards	Deacon Governor Barnes	4	....	....	....	....	....	....	6	9.00
Jerusalem Grove	Earnest Melton	Deacon Johnnie Woodard	1	3	....	....	1	....	1	22	21.50
Williams Chapel	Arthur Dildy	Deacon Willie Vine	2	1	....	....	....	....	....	13	20.50
Mt. Galilee	Warren Melton	Deacon Freddie Bryant	4	....	....	....	....	....	....	19	25.50
Jones Hill	Warren Melton	Deacon Johnnie Finch	2	2	1	....	....	3	3	49	69.00
Oxhanox	David Bullock	Deacon Johnnie Woodard	3	1	....	....	....	....	....	8	14.00
St. John	David Bullock	Deacon Charlie Hines	1	2	....	....	....	....	....	12	13.00
Hope To Live	Ernest Melton	Deacon Pearlie Finch	4	....	....	....	....	....	....	5	4.50

BLANK FORM OF LETTER TO ASSOCIATION

..... North Carolina, ... County

....., 196.....
(Month) (Year)

We, the members of ..... Primitive

Baptist Church, send Greetings to the .....

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Hope you will have a loving Association.

We send to sit with you .....

We are glad to meet you again in another annual session.

Since our last letter to you, our statistics are as follows:

Received by Baptism ..... Received by Letter .....

Excluded ..... Dismissed by Letter .....

Died ..... Total Membership .....

We sent as a donation $.....

Ordained Ministers ..... Licensed Ministers .....

Done by order of the church ....., 196.....
(Month) (Year)

Elder ...., Pastor

Clerk .....

Assistant Clerk .....

All churches are requested to use this blank form in writing to the Association.